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Title: SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

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Synopsis: On 8/2/68, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, represented by his attorney, RUSSELL E. PARSONS, appeared before Los Angeles Superior Court Judge RICHARD SCHAUER and pled not guilty to charge of murder in slaying of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. Trial date set for 11/1/68. SIRHAN also pled not guilty to feloniously assaulting, with a deadly weapon and with intent to commit murder, five other persons wounded the same night at the election celebration at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California. On 9/25/68, California State Court of Appeals denied Los Angeles District Attorney EVELLE J. YOUNGER's petition to block enforcement of a publicity ban on the pending trial of SIRHAN. Additional Ambassador Hotel employees interviewed and unable to recall observing SIRHAN in Ambassador Hotel prior to shooting. DUN GIFFORD, Legal Assistant to Senator EDWARD KENNEDY and State Co-Ordinator in campaign of late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, advised he saw SIRHAN step out with a gun from the right in the kitchen area of Ambassador Hotel and heard shots. GIFFORD unable to state he actually saw SIRHAN fire the shots but saw WILLIAM BARRY strike SIRHAN. GIFFORD assisted in subduing SIRHAN after shooting along with ROOSEVELT GRIER, RAFER JOHNSON, GEORGE PLIMPTON, and WILLIAM BARRY. JAMES BRESLIN,

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newspaper reporter, advised that he was in kitchen area but did not see actual shooting. Immediately after shooting, he went up to SIRHAN, who was being held by several individuals, and asked SIRHAN twice, "Why did you have to do it?" SIRHAN was rolling his eyes and did not answer. EVAN FREED, free lance photographer, advised was in kitchen area and saw SIRHAN shooting, but did not actually see Senator KENNEDY hit by gunfire or fall to floor. PETE HAMILL, free lance writer, advised was in kitchen area at time of shooting. Saw SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN in front of and to Senator KENNEDY's left about seven or eight feet with his arm fully extended and his face in tremendous concentration shooting a gun at Senator KENNEDY. HAMILL did not observe SIRHAN in Ambassador Hotel prior to shooting. DANIEL JOHN CURTIN, worker in late Senator KENNEDY's campaign, advised he was in kitchen area at time of shooting and heard several shots and saw Senator KENNEDY falling to the floor. CURTIN believes he was one of very first to reach Senator KENNEDY on floor and handed him a set of rosary beads. As CURTIN was leaning over Senator KENNEDY, the Senator appeared as if he was starting to say something, but noise of crowd prevented CURTIN from understanding it. CURTIN observed SIRHAN being held by several persons after shooting. Additional interviews conducted with individuals acquainted with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and other members of his family. SIRHAN described as "loner" who had no close friends or girl friends. Former instructor of SIRHAN at Pasadena City College described SIRHAN as very pro-Arab and exhibiting an almost uncontrollable temper in defense of Arab national unity. Anonymous letter to ETHEL KENNEDY, Hyannis Port, Massachusetts, was postmarked Chicago, Illinois, 8/6/68 and stated WILLIAM ERTL, 1402 Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, was responsible for assassination of late Senator KENNEDY. Investigation determined 1402 Greenwood Avenue was non-existent address in Chicago and no record of individual named WILLIAM ERTL located in Chicago Telephone Directory, Chicago Credit Bureau, or Chicago Police Department. FBI Laboratory identified

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signature and address "SIRHAN SIRHAN, 696 E. Howard Street, Pasa " on shooting roster of San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, Duarte, California, for 6/4/68, as having been written by SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

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PROSECUTIVE ACTION CONCERNING
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On August 2, 1968, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN pled not guilty to the charge of murder in the slaying of ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge RICHARD SCHAUER set the trial date for November 1, 1968, in this matter.

Represented by his attorney, RUSSELL E. PARSONS, SIRHAN also pled not guilty to feloniously assaulting, with a deadly weapon and with intent to commit murder, five other persons wounded the same night at the election celebration at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California.

Judge SCHAUER did not at this hearing name the judge who will preside over the case.

Also at this hearing, Los Angeles County District Attorney EVELLE J. YOUNGER, assisted by Deputy District Attorneys JOHN HOWARD and DAVID FITTS, asked that Judge SCHAUER vacate or modify a previous court order restricting publicity in this case.

SIRHAN's attorney RUSSELL E. PARSONS and A. L. WIRIN, Chief Counsel of the Southern California Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, opposed the motion of YOUNGER. WIRIN was allowed to appear as a "friend" of the court.

The motion of YOUNGER regarding publicity on this case was denied by Superior Court Judge RICHARD SCHAUER.

On September 10, 1968, District Attorney EVELLE J. YOUNGER signed an appeal requesting that the court order limiting publicity in the SIRHAN case be modified. The District Attorney sought reversal of the order in a petition for a writ of mandate and prohibition from the State Court of Appeal.

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On September 19, 1968, Superior Court Judge RICHARD SCHAUER, of the Master Calendar Criminal Department of the Superior Court, selected Superior Court Judge ROBERT V. WALKER to try SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

SCHAUER also announced that the trial would take place in the courtroom now designated as Department 107, Room 832, located on the 8th floor of the Hall of Justice. Trial is currently scheduled for November 1, 1968.

The California State Court of Appeals on September 25, 1968, denied District Attorney EVELLE J. YOUNGER's petition to block enforcement of a publicity ban on the pending trial of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. The office of the District Attorney indicated that it might ask for a hearing on the matter before the State Supreme Court.

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INTERVIEWS OF EMPLOYEES OF
AMBASSADOR HOTEL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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FRANCES A. BAILEY, 2981 West Eighth Street, Apartment 218, Los Angeles, California, advised the following:

BAILEY claimed that she could not furnish any additional information to that furnished during interview by an agent of the FBI on June 14, 1968. At that time she stated that when she was on duty in the uniform room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles on Sunday, June 2, 1968, two Caucasian males came to her window and asked to borrow waiter's jackets so they could use them to get in to see Senator KENNEDY who was then at the hotel. Her recollection was that these two men, who were unknown to her, had no authority to obtain the jackets. Their request was refused by BAILEY, who said that she was busy, and since there was quite a bit of activity, she did not pay close attention to these individuals to the extent that she could describe them in detail. She was of the impression that they were of dark complexion but was sure that she would be unable to recognize them should she see them again.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and members of his family were exhibited to BAILEY who said that she had no recollection of ever having observed any of the individuals in the photographs at any time.

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IRENE WISHNUCK, 374 South Columbia Street, Los Angeles,
advised the following: Date _____

WISHNUCK, who is employed in the linen room which maintains linen and uniforms at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, said that she could not add any additional information to that furnished when she was interviewed by an agent of the FBI on June 10, 1968, with respect to the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She had reported for work at the hotel on June 4, 1968, at 11 PM and got off duty at 7 AM on June 5, 1968. She had remained in the linen room and had no first hand knowledge of the shooting which had occurred on a floor in the hotel above the area where she worked. She recalled, that she had previously related that on the afternoon of June 3, 1968, a Negro male over 6' tall, medium build, and about 30 years old, had asked for a busboy's uniform, but he did not have the necessary card with which to obtain the uniform. When he was unable to produce such a card, he turned and just walked away.

WISHNUCK said that she did not feel that she could identify the Negro male if she ever saw him again and that no other employee to her knowledge observed this man. She stated she has never seen this man since and has no idea who he may have been.

WISHNUCK examined photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and members of his family and said that she had no recollection of ever seeing any of the persons in these photographs at any time.

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WILLIAM F. GARDNER, 221 North Belmont Street, Glendale, California, phone 242-9522, advised that he was no longer Chief Security Officer of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles and was currently attending law school. Mr. VARDIGAN T. MOON has replaced GARDNER as Chief Security Officer of this hotel. During the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4 and the morning of June 5, 1968, the hotel put on a number of extra employees. The Security Department hired six extra guards whom they have used in the past and who were all on duty at the time of the shooting. Senator KENNEDY had refrained from using any security guards, consequently specific security assignments were not made to guard him. GARDNER selected two waiter captains to lead the KENNEDY procession to and from the Embassy Room where Senator KENNEDY was to speak.

The KENNEDY campaign party did not have any dinner arrangements, so there were no large number of extra waiters hired. There were some extra waiters utilized in the Room Service Department and extra bartenders were used. The various departments hiring these extra employees normally utilized extra employees with whom they have had previous experience and every department would be accountable for the extra employees hired.

During the evening the Embassy Room was extremely crowded. There was no attempt to challenge any persons coming or going until the room reached capacity and then persons were denied entrance on the basis that the overcrowding would create a fire hazard. Persons entering the Embassy Room were not challenged continually except when the fire hazard approach was used to stop them, and Anyone wishing to get in would have had little trouble.

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Concerning an orange colored pamphlet which bore the caption "Kill Kennedy" which Mr. GARDNER was alleged to have displayed to ELMER M. BOOMHOWER, an employee of the Ace Guard Service, Granada Hills, on the night of June 4, 1968, GARDNER advised as follows:

During the height of the Senator KENNEDY campaign party it was mentioned to GARDNER by some of the hotel employees, identities not recalled, that bumper stickers were being passed out in the front of the lobby and in front of the Embassy Room which bore lettering about killing KENNEDY. The persons reportedly passing out these bumper stickers were described as being young people, "hippie type."

A hotel employee had furnished one of the stickers to GARDNER who said that it was a reddish orange in color with black lettering. He did not recall the exact caption on the bumper sticker but in substance the wording justified the killing of JOHN F. KENNEDY and did not pertain to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. GARDNER said that he had turned this bumper sticker over to the Los Angeles Police Department after the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

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Mr. ROBERT J. GINDROZ, Head Chef, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, advised that all of the employees in his department, which included all of the chefs and certain administrative employees in the hotel kitchen who were on duty on June 4, 1968, and June 5, 1968, were established employees who had worked with the hotel for some period of time. No employees had been hired recently or within a reasonable short period before the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Mr. GINDROZ said that he was not in the area where Senator KENNEDY was shot at the time of the shooting and he had no recollection of having ever seen any suspicious person in the area before the shooting.

Mr. GINDROZ, following examination of photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and his family, stated he had no recollection of seeing any of the persons whose photographs were shown him at any time in or around the Ambassador Hotel or otherwise.

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On September 4, 1968, JACK GRUGAN, ^{Date} ~~3003 Leeward~~
Avenue, Apartment 17, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed
at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 West Wilshire Boulevard,
Los Angeles, where he is a Security Guard.

GRUGAN advised he was previously interviewed by
FBI Agents following the shooting of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.
He stated he was on duty the night of the shooting and his
post was at the back parking lot of the hotel. He stated
a Los Angeles Police Department Unit was writing parking tickets
at the rear of the hotel when he learned about the shooting of
Senator KENNEDY. He stated that he directed ...
the Los Angeles Police Officers to the place of the shooting.
He stated other Police Officers were at the scene and the
only time he saw the person suspected of shooting Senator KENNEDY
was when the police took the suspect out of the hotel to a
waiting police car. At that time he got a short glimpse of
the suspect.

GRUGAN stated he had not seen the suspect before
and he could furnish no further information concerning the
shooting.

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Date August 7, 1968

MARCOS HERNANDEZ advised that he recently returned from a trip to Mexico to see his relatives. He stated that he does reside at 4217 East Folsom Street, Los Angeles, but has never worked at the Ambassador Hotel. He stated that a man by the name of BENJAMIN SOLES (a friend of his uncle who resides with HERNANDEZ) visited from Mexico and got the job at the hotel. SOLES used his (HERNANDEZ) name and address as he was in the United States on a 48 hour visa but apparently decided to remain permanently.

HERNANDEZ stated that while he was in Mexico, he spoke to a girl friend of SOLES who stated that SOLES was employed in California. She would not give any additional information as she knew he was in the United States illegally.

HERNANDEZ further advised that he was employed at the Civic Center Body Shop, at Olympic and Flower Streets on the night of the assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. He could offer no information on the events of that evening.

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WALTER JOACHIM was interviewed at his residence, apartment number 201, 2971 West 7th Street. He said he has been employed as a baker in the kitchen at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, for about eight and one-half years. He worked the 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. shift in the hotel kitchen during the afternoon-evening of June 4, 1968. After he finished his work shift, he went home and completed his plans to go on his vacation.

Mr. JOACHIM said he was not at the Ambassador Hotel at the time that Senator ROBERT FRANCIS KENNEDY was shot. He said he has no personal knowledge regarding the incident.

Mr. JOACHIM said he has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN. He said he has never seen this individual before and is positive he did not see him at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968. Mr. JOACHIM had no background information to furnish regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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EDITH JOHNSON, Auditor, Banquet Waiters and Busboys Department, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, advised following examination of records of waiters and busboys hired for and shortly before the Senator ROBERT KENNEDY campaign party, June 4, 1968, as follows:

All waiters and busboys used were either regular employees or extra employees who had been known to the hotel and used as extras from time to time over a long period. They all work out of Local 17, Waiters Union, 321 South Bixel Street, Los Angeles, California. There was one exception, DONALD EVANGELISTA, social security number [REDACTED], who was employed May 17, 1968. PII

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Mr. PATRICK MURPHY, Security Division, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, said that he was acting Security Officer in charge in the absence of Chief Security Officer VARDIGNAN T. MOON who had recently replaced WILLIAM F. GARDNER, the Security Officer who was at the Ambassador Hotel at the time when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. Mr. GARDNER can now be reached at 221 North Belmont Street, phone 254-3256.

Concerning the number of extra employees hired at the time of the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party at the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968, and the morning of June 5, 1968, Mr. MURPHY said that there were a few extra employees hired in the Security Department as well as the Room Service Department and among the bartenders. Normally the hotel maintains a list of extra workers in the various departments who are called when needed. The various department heads would be aware of the identities of the extra employees hired during that affair or any extra or new employees hired a short period before the affair. MURPHY advised that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had refused to utilize any security from the hotel and consequently no specific security assignments were given and MURPHY himself had a roving assignment to look out for the hotel's interests. MURPHY spent a good part of the evening in the lobby and the area of the Embassy Room. There were thousands of people running in and out of the Embassy Room and when it became full, the firemen on duty would not let any additional people in the room until someone came out. When this happened before midnight, those people who could not get into the Embassy Room were going in through the kitchen area and were coming in through the back entrance of the Embassy Room which opened through the kitchen. There were two separate, swinging door entrances through the kitchen and there was no one challenging anyone coming in and out of the kitchen until so many people attempted to go through the kitchen that MURPHY took a stand in front of one of the swinging door entrances of the kitchen and began to keep people out.

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He did not know if there was similar coverage on the other kitchen entrances. He said that under the circumstances there was no need for the people to utilize any guises or pretenses in attempt to gain entrance to the kitchen.

Concerning the identity of firemen stationed at the Embassy Room on the evening of June 4, 1968, MURPHY said that Inspector CECIL LYNCH of the Los Angeles Fire Provention Bureau could furnish this information.

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Mr. ROBERT SALCEDO in charge of the bartenders at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, advised that all the bartenders used at the hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968, and the morning of June 5, 1968, during the various campaign parties, including the party of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY, were all old employees or established extra employees. He had two bar boys who were fairly new but both had been at the end about eight months at the time. There had not been any bars set up in the Embassy Room for the KENNEDY party but they had been set up out in the lobby of the hotel.

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Mr. HANS PETER BIDSTRUP, Electrician, Maintenance Department of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, advised the following:

BIDSTRUP had previously been interviewed and had mentioned an unknown male Caucasian who had talked to him in the sound booth in the Venetian Room at the Ambassador Hotel about an hour before BIDSTRUP went off duty at 11 P.M. on June 4, 1968. BIDSTRUP said that after he had seen photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN in the newspapers and on television, he had thought that SIRHAN resembled a male Caucasian whom he had talked to in the sound booth on June 4, 1968.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and his brothers were exhibited to BIDSTRUP. He said that the photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN somewhat resembled this individual who had talked to him in the sound booth. This person was described as:

Age	22
Height	5'6" to 5'8"
Weight	150-165 pounds
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Tan

This person was carrying a glass with a drink in it and in the opinion of BIDSTRUP was slightly intoxicated. This person had asked BIDSTRUP "are you a Democrat?" He then made a lot of rambling statements, the text of which BIDSTRUP could not recall. No discussion or particular interest in Senator KENNEDY came up during this man's presence in the booth.

There was a Los Angeles Fireman on duty in the Venetian Room who was present when BIDSTRUP was talking to the unknown male. The name of this fireman was not recalled but BIDSTRUP described him as:

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Sex
Age
Hair

Male
About 30
Possibly blond

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1Date 8/20/68

Inspector CECIL LYNCH, Fire Prevention, Public Assembly of the Los Angeles Fire Department, Second and Hill Streets, MA-86161, advised on August 12, 1968 that he would check the description of the firemen assigned to the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968, in an attempt to identify the fireman working in the Venetian Room at about 10 P.M. on June 4, 1968, described by HANS BIDSTRUP.

On August 13, 1968, Inspector LYNCH advised that the fireman in question was MICHAEL D. WHARTON, 27028 Spring Creek Road, Palos Verdes Peninsula. WHARTON is attached to the Fire Prevention Bureau of the Los Angeles Fire Department, 7166 West Manchester, Los Angeles, California 90045, phone 670-2875.

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1Date 9/19/68

Mr. MICHAEL D. WHARTON, 27028 Spring Creek Road, Palos Verdes, California, who is employed in the Fire Prevention Bureau of the Los Angeles Fire Department, 7166 West Manchester Avenue, Los Angeles, California, telephone 670-2875, advised the following:

On the evening of June 4, 1968, Mr. WHARTON was on duty for the Fire Prevention Bureau in the Venetian Room at the Ambassador Hotel, during the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party. Mr. WHARTON recalled that an electrician, apparently employed by the Ambassador Hotel, had been working in a sound booth in the Venetian Room around 10:00 - 11:00 P.M. on June 4, 1968. The name of this electrician, however, was not known to Mr. WHARTON and the latter had no recollection of observing any individual engaging this electrician in conversation in the sound booth around 10:00 P.M. on June 4, 1968.

Mr. WHARTON continued that he had no recollection of observing any individual in the Venetian Room on the evening of June 4, 1968, or at any time, who resembled SIRHAN SIRHAN.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and members of his family were exhibited to Mr. WHARTON. He said that he had no knowledge of having observed these individuals at any time and specifically not observing anyone resembling any of them in the Venetian Room of the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968.

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IN AREA OF SHOOTING

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 9/5/68

Mr. WILLIAM BARRY, Assistant Vice-President, Security Department, Bankers Trust Company, 120 Broadway, New York, New York, stated that on June 5, 1968, in the ambulance taking Senator ROBERT KENNEDY from the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, to the Central Receiving Hospital, were the following people:

In the front seat was the ambulance driver, in the middle was WILLIAM BARRY, and seated near the right door was WARREN ROGERS of "Look" Magazine.

In the back, with Senator KENNEDY, was his wife, ETHEL KENNEDY; his sister, JEAN SMITH; FRED DUTTON; and one ambulance attendant. FRED DUTTON was in the back, up front near the partition in back of the driver which would be at Senator KENNEDY's feet.

BARRY does not recall the exact location of the others in the back other than ETHEL KENNEDY and JEAN SMITH were near Senator KENNEDY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 6/26/68

Mr. FREDERICK GARY DUTTON, Attorney, 1225 19th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., advised he was an aide to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on his Presidential campaign, handling scheduling and travel arrangements.

He stated that Senator KENNEDY left his Ambassador Hotel suite at about 11:30 p. m. to make a victory talk to those gathered in the Embassy Room of the hotel. He said he accompanied KENNEDY from his suite, using a service elevator and passing through an area where KENNEDY was later shot. He said that en route to the Embassy Room he did not note any particular crowd in the area where the Senator was shot.

DUTTON said he was aware that a large crowd had gathered in the Embassy Room as well as in a lower ballroom for the expected appearance of Senator KENNEDY. He said these crowds had become rather loud and somewhat unruly awaiting the appearance of the Senator.

DUTTON stated he decided that upon the completion of Senator KENNEDY's victory talk, the Senator would go to the Colonial Room where the press had gathered, rather than to go down to the lower ballroom.

He said Senator KENNEDY left the podium at the rear of the platform and he followed the Senator, accompanied by Mrs. KENNEDY. DUTTON said he did not tell Senator KENNEDY that he was to proceed to the Colonial Room, but believed that BILL BARRY had done so, as BARRY was aware of the plan.

He stated he trailed Senator KENNEDY by about seven to eight feet when he heard a snapping noise, similar to the sound of fire-crackers. He said upon learning that Senator KENNEDY had been shot, he proceeded directly to KENNEDY, passing another man lying on the floor, later identified as PAUL SCHRAGE,

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an official of the United Auto Workers, who appeared to be seriously wounded. He said Senator KENNEDY was lying on the floor and he proceeded to open his collar and belt, removing his cuff links and shoes.

DUTTON said he was joined by Mrs. KENNEDY and was not aware of any other activity in the area.

He said that he had not heard that SIRHAN SIRHAN, the suspected assassin, had ever been seen earlier or that SIRHAN had ever been evicted from any area by anyone. He said that a dark skinned individual, possibly an Arabian, had reportedly been asked to leave the podium. He said he had seen a photo in Time magazine in which this dark skinned male appears, however, upon viewing a photo of SIRHAN, he determined that SIRHAN is not identical to the dark-skinned individual in Time magazine.

DUTTON stated that he had never seen SIRHAN SIRHAN during his tour with Senator KENNEDY.

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Date 7/1/68

DUN GIFFORD, Legal Assistant to Senator EDWARD KENNEDY advised he served as State Co-ordinator in the presidential campaign of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

GIFFORD stated he was on the podium when Senator ROBERT KENNEDY made his victory talk to those gathered in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel.

GIFFORD said that following KENNEDY's talk, he was to leave the podium and go to his right, as he faced the audience, where PIERRE SALINGER had planned to talk to him. He said that KENNEDY, however, went to his left going in the direction of the Colonial Room.

GIFFORD believed that either FRED DUTTON or BILL BARRY might have decided on the route to be taken by Senator KENNEDY after his speech.

GIFFORD said he followed Senator KENNEDY and saw him, BARRY and DUTTON pass through a double door entrance in the kitchen area, GIFFORD trailing by about seventeen feet.

He stated he saw an individual, later identified as SIRHAN SIRHAN, step out from the right and he heard one shot, a short delay, then heard five more shots.

He said he cannot say he actually saw SIRHAN fire the shots, although he saw him with a gun. He said he then saw BARRY strike SIRHAN, and recalls SIRHAN was on the floor, a gun was on the floor, and SIRHAN, on his hands and knees, was moving toward the gun.

He stated ROOSEVELT GRIER, RAFAEL JOHNSON, GEORGE PLIMPTON and he held SIRHAN. He said JOHNSON held him by his lower body, GIFFORD having a hold on his head while all

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four of them were attempting to get the gun from SIRHAN's hand.

GIFFORD said that all four of them leaned across SIRHAN's body, and their combined hands grasped SIRHAN's gun hand. He said they removed their hands, one at a time, permitting GRIER to wrest the gun from SIRHAN. He said he believed GRIER, upon removing the gun, handed it to JOHNSON.

GIFFORD said SIRHAN did not say a word, at first appearing composed, and then appeared terrified as the crowd reacted to what had occurred.

GIFFORD stated he had never seen SIRHAN before the moment he saw him holding the gun. He said he recalled that JESSE UNRUH was standing on a steam table calling for the police and an ambulance.

He said Senator KENNEDY was lying on the floor and another man, also lay on the floor, both lying head to toe in a line, as he moved toward SIRHAN.

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Date 6/26/68

JOSEPH D. GIORDANO, Office Manager, Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's Office, New Senate Office Building, advised that he was with the Senator during the Los Angeles Presidential Primary. He stated that when the Senator made his victory speech in the Embassy Room, Ambassador Hotel, June 4, 1968, he accompanied the Senator to the stage from KENNEDY's hotel suite.

After the Senator's speech, according to GIORDANO, KENNEDY departed the stage area by walking to the rear, through a hallway and into the kitchen. KENNEDY was making his way toward the Colonial Room and planned to talk with the "pencil-press." GIORDANO said he, GIORDANO, was just leaving the ballroom and heard balloons breaking. He was told KENNEDY had been shot. He hastened to the area and observed the Senator lying on the kitchen floor. About this time, he saw ROSIE GRIER, a professional football player, holding an individual with a gun.

GIORDANO took up a position at the Senator's side and assured him he would be alright and to remain quiet. When an ice pack arrived he held it to the Senator's head, and recalls seeing WILLIAM BARRY taking off his coat and placing it under the Senator's head. He stated when the ambulance arrived, he accompanied BARRY and the others to the hospital.

GIORDANO related that he does not recall seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN in the area prior to the shooting. He mentioned that at about 3:00 a.m., June 5, 1968, he recalled

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seeing an unknown white female with a polka-dot dress talking to a police officer outside room number 507. He related this conversation lasted about three to five minutes. He only recalls the dress was white with large dots about the size of a silver dollar; he believes the dots were black or dark blue. GIORDANO feels that because of the time this may not be important but recalls the incident for what it might be worth.

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Date 7/1/68

FRANK MANKIEWICZ, Press Secretary to Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on his presidential campaign advised that he and PIERRE SALINGER had planned that Senator KENNEDY, following his victory speech in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, would then go to a room occupied by SALINGER which was to the right of Senator KENNEDY and then the Senator would go on to the Colonial Room.

He stated when Senator KENNEDY finished his talk he left the podium and proceeded toward the Colonial Room which was off to his left. He said he attached no significance to the fact Senator KENNEDY proceeded in the direction of the Colonial Room, as the routes taken by Senator KENNEDY were not definite and he often went directly into a crowd rather than through some easier and less crowded route as planned. He stated BILL BARRY or FRED DUTTON might possibly know why Senator KENNEDY proceeded to the Colonial Room after his talk.

MANKIEWICZ stated he trailed Senator KENNEDY by about ten to twelve feet as he moved toward the Colonial Room. He said as he passed through some double doors he heard a noise, similar to the sound of fire crackers, and thought it was inappropriate to be setting off fire crackers.

He stated he never saw SIRHAN SIRHAN, the suspected assassin of Senator KENNEDY, and as he moved forward he recalled seeing PAUL SCHRADE, a United Auto Workers official, lying on the floor about two feet from the body of Senator KENNEDY.

He said he then saw a "tableau" of arms in a struggle and a gun lying on a table. He said he could not see the head of the man the group was struggling with.

He estimated that fifteen people were between him and Senator KENNEDY when the shots were fired.

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He said a Mr. UECKER, an Ambassador Hotel employee, was leading Senator KENNEDY through the narrow passage way enroute to the Colonial Room.

He stated that Mrs. GEORGE PLIMPTON reportedly walked past the suspected assassin, SIRHAN SIRHAN, and saw a gun in SIRHAN's hand just before the shooting.

MANCIEWICZ stated as he trailed Senator KENNEDY on his route, he could not be of more assistance and thus could furnish no additional information.

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Mr. WILLIAM NORRIS, Partner, Law Firm of Tuttle and Taylor, Suite 1300, 609 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, phone number 625-7831, advised that during the campaign of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY for the presidential nomination, he, NORRIS, acted as one of twelve State of California Vice Chairmen under Chairman JESSE UNRUH. In this capacity, he associated with the Senator and other members of the Senator's staff, and based on his, NORRIS' position, he furnished the following information with respect to his knowledge of the events of June 4, 1968, and June 5, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel.

NORRIS advised that he went to the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 8:30 pm, and parked in the rear parking lot. He then entered the hotel and went to the KENNEDY press area, located in the Colonial Room, where he talked with various campaign personalities. At approximately 10:00 pm, he went upstairs to the KENNEDY suite, where he stayed for approximately 45 minutes. He then went downstairs to the Embassy Room, where he met several friends and took them to the KENNEDY suite to meet the Senator. Shortly thereafter, he returned to the Embassy Room and met other loyal supporters who also wanted to meet the Senator. Just as he was about to take them upstairs, he saw STEPHEN SMITH, the Senator's brother-in-law, so he delayed his trip upstairs as he realized that the Senator would appear in the Ballroom in a few minutes.

When the Senator arrived, he, NORRIS, remained in the press alcove of the Embassy Room, just to the west of the platform. After his speech, the Senator left the platform to the rear, through some curtains which provided access to the kitchen area and the main KENNEDY press room. He, NORRIS, attempted to follow from the Embassy press area and he heard several distinct rapid reports. He did not realize that anything out of the ordinary had occurred until he encountered a rush of people coming toward him from the ~~direction the Senator had gone, plus the look of stark~~ terror on the face of JUDY ROYER, the personal secretary

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for former Governor PAT BROWN, currently associated with the Beverly Hills Law Firm of BALL, HUNT, HART, and BROWN. ROYER was standing on a chair looking down the passageway toward the Senator and he assumes that she must have seen some of the actual shooting. There also were loud shouts and screaming in the air.

Shortly thereafter, many rumors were spread about concerning who was shot. He heard that STEVE SMITH, FRED DUTTON, and PAUL SCHRADER, had been shot as well as the Senator. The facts soon developed, however, that STEVE SMITH and FRED DUTTON had not been shot, for he saw both of them and they were uninjured. It was then that SMITH told him that the Senator had been shot, and that they should get all the people out of the Ballroom. He, NORRIS, emphatically concurred and suggested that SMITH himself make a public announcement, since such an announcement coming from a member of the KENNEDY family would have more meaning to those assembled in the Ballroom. Mr. SMITH then made the announcement to clear the Ballroom. NORRIS advised that he stayed at the hotel until approximately 3:00 am, helping to clear the area and talking to various friends.

He was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and he stated that at no time during the evening did he see this individual.

He advised the security in the KENNEDY suite upstairs in the hotel was almost nonexistent, and that it was fairly loose early in the evening at the Embassy Room, but that as the evening wore on it became more difficult to gain access to that room. He stated that he bases this observation on his ability to gain access to those areas during the evening. No one checked his press pass in the KENNEDY suite. At approximately 10:30 pm, a guard was at the Embassy Room and the guard checked his pass, but later on at approximately 11:00 pm, the guard denied him access to the room, so he entered it through another back entrance.

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With regard to the plan for the protection of Senator KENNEDY while the Senator was in the State of California, he advised that VICTOR PALMIERI, member of the President's Commission On Crime, who was concerned over the safety of the Senator during his campaign, discussed this with STEPHEN SMITH in his, NORRIS', presence on one of the Senator's earlier trips to California. PALMIERI suggested that stringent security be provided for the Senator, but SMITH told PALMIERI "We will just have to take our chances".

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Date 6/28/68

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ADAM WALINSKY, Legislative Assistant in Senate, and speech writer for the late Senator ROBERT FRANCIS KENNEDY, was interviewed in Room 3327, New Senate Office Building. He said he traveled with KENNEDY in the Oregon and California primary campaigns. During the evening of June 4, 1968, WALINSKY and Mrs. WALINSKY had a room in the fifth floor KENNEDY Suite at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California. WALINSKY congratulated Senator KENNEDY upon winning the primary in California. WALINSKY remained in the suite to watch the television broadcast of KENNEDY's victory speech in the Embassy Room. After KENNEDY completed the speech, WALINSKY stood in the doorway of the KENNEDY suite talking as CAROL WELCH told WALINSKY, "PIERRE just called and something is wrong with the Senator. You had better go down and see what is the matter". WALINSKY said he walked into the hall with SWANIE VON HEINSCHEL and was still talking with VON HEINSCHEL when CAROL said, "There really is something wrong with the Senator." WALINSKY said CAROL gave him a push and said, "Get going". WALINSKY then rushed down the stairs and turned and left. There were a lot of people coming out of the room. WALINSKY pushed through and got to the door of the Colonial Room. A hotel security guard in front of the door would not let WALINSKY in, but a press representative spoke to the guard and he let WALINSKY through.

WALINSKY said he saw Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor and KENNEDY's wife, ETHEL, was bending over him. WALINSKY saw four or five policemen take SIRHAN SIRHAN out. WALINSKY said he had never seen SIRHAN before.

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WALINSKY was unable to furnish any information about KENNEDY's plans for the evening or any change in plans for speaking to the people in the other ballroom.

WALINSKY furnished the name of another speech writer for KENNEDY as JEFF GREENFIELD, 17 Third Street, Northeast, Washington, D. C. He said GREENFIELD was in the KENNEDY Suite on the fifth floor of the Ambassador Hotel at the time of the shooting.

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Date 7/8/681

DAVID ADAMSON, Correspondent, London Daily Telegraph, 1200 National Press Building, furnished the following information:

ADAMSON covered the Oregon and California primaries for his newspaper dividing his time between the MC CARTHY and KENNEDY campaigns. During the campaigning in Los Angeles, ADAMSON spent his entire time with the KENNEDY organization. During KENNEDY's victory speech ADAMSON was in the Embassy Room listening to the speech. ADAMSON knew KENNEDY intended to have a press conference in the temporary press room after the speech but did not know how KENNEDY intended to get to the press room.

KENNEDY left the Embassy Room and ADAMSON attempted to follow him. ADAMSON was about 15 yards behind KENNEDY when KENNEDY entered the kitchen area and the shooting occurred. ADAMSON did not hear the shots and never got to the kitchen. ADAMSON did not see SIRHAN or KENNEDY after the shooting.

ADAMSON does not remember seeing SIRHAN at any time during the campaign in either California or Oregon. ADAMSON said he could give no additional information regarding the assassination.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 6/25/68

Mr. CHARLES "CHUCK" BAILEY, Minneapolis Tribune, Washington Bureau, National Press Building, Washington, D.C., (WDC), furnished the following information:

He accompanied the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on both the Oregon and California Primaries and was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on the morning of June 5, 1968, when Senator KENNEDY was assassinated. At the exact time of the shooting of Mr. KENNEDY, he was in the Colonial Room of the Hotel Ambassador along with the other newspaper people waiting for Mr. KENNEDY to come into the Colonial Room for an informal press conference. Separating the Colonial Room from the kitchen of the hotel were double swinging doors and then another set of double swinging doors arranged in such a manner that people in the Colonial Room could not see into the kitchen when a waiter came out of the serving kitchen. It was his understanding that immediately after Mr. KENNEDY gave a victory talk on television, he intended to come into the Colonial Room and talk to the reporters gathered there awaiting him. He believes that it was one of the press secretaries of Mr. KENNEDY, the exact one he could not recall, who made these arrangements, but that in any event it was his understanding at the time that Mr. KENNEDY would come directly from his TV talk to the Colonial Room and that reporters there would be able to ask him questions concerning his primary victory and future plans. He saw on a TV set that Mr. KENNEDY had finished his speech and so then he immediately moved closer to the door so he would have a better position in proximity to Mr. KENNEDY to ask questions. He then heard a loud bang which at first sounded to him like someone was banging a serving tray on one of the stainless steel warming counters. This was immediately followed by four other "bang-like" noises, and then it dawned on him that these were actually shots from a gun. He distinctly recalled only hearing five bangs although subsequent events revealed that actually eight shots were fired from a gun. He immediately went through the double set of swinging doors into the serving kitchen, and the place was "complete bedlam." He noticed someone struggling with an individual but actually only saw

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this individual's forearm raised in the air and someone grabbing at it. He cannot recall actually seeing a gun in the hand of the alleged assassin. He then left the serving kitchen immediately and went to the nearest phone to call his paper. When he finished the call, he went back to the serving kitchen, it being only a matter of perhaps ten or fifteen minutes; and at this time the police were taking out of the hotel the alleged assassin of Mr. KENNEDY, SIRHAN SIRHAN. On this occasion he got a reasonably good view of SIRHAN. He does not recall ever seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN before that time either in the hotel or at any of the campaign stops. He did not see any girl at any time wearing a polka dot dress and could furnish no information whatsoever concerning this alleged individual.

On the previous Sunday before the assassination of Mr. KENNEDY, he was in the group of newspapermen who "covered" Mr. KENNEDY's trip to Disneyland and did not recall seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN in any of the crowds gathered around Mr. KENNEDY at Disneyland.

Mr. BAILEY was unable to furnish any additional pertinent information.

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Date 6/20/68

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Mr. JAMES (JIMMY) BRESLIN was interviewed at Gallagher's Steak House, 228 West 52nd Street, New York, New York. He stated that he writes for several newspapers throughout the United States and that his agent is the Sterling Lord Literary Agency, 75 East 55th Street, New York, New York. He resides at 52 Deepdene Road, Forest Hills, New York.

Starting on March 17, 1968, he covered several of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's Presidential campaign trips.

During the evening of June 4, 1968, he was in the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, when Senator KENNEDY made his victory speech. The Embassy Room in which Senator KENNEDY made his speech was very crowded so BRESLIN went to the press room which was near the Embassy Room and watched the speech on television.

When the speech ended an individual, he thinks was DICK DRAYNE of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's staff, appeared at the door of the press room and said that Senator ROBERT KENNEDY was on his way to the press room. Senator ROBERT KENNEDY after his speeches made it a habit to visit the press room and talk to the press.

BRESLIN went to the door of the press room to wave to Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. He did not see Senator ROBERT KENNEDY, but while at the doorway he heard what at first he thought was a kitchen tray drop to the floor. It was a shot and there were three or four more. At the most, BRESLIN heard four or five shots. People were running and screaming and BRESLIN ran towards where the sound of the shots came from.

Many persons in the crowd were screaming. These people were to BRESLIN's left. Senator ROBERT KENNEDY was lying to BRESLIN's left. In the immediate vicinity was PAUL SCHRADER, also lying on the floor. To BRESLIN's approximate right was BILL BARRY of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's staff.

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BARRY had someone by the arm which was extended up and which hand held a black-barrel⁴pistol. The hand with the pistol then went down onto a table. Someone was jumping on the table. The hand holding the gun dropped it and then something happened and the hand again picked up the gun. ROSIE GRIER then threw a male on a table and held him down and grabbed the male by the arm. BRESLIN then saw the person on the table for the first time. It was SIRHAN SIRHAN. At this moment ROSIE GRIER was holding the gun in his, GRIER's, left hand.

At approximately this time GEORGE PLIMPTON had SIRHAN by his head; WARREN ROGERS had his left leg; and RAFAEL JOHNSON was grabbing his hand.

BRESLIN was of the impression at the time that the gun was still loaded and he tried to get it away from ROSIE GRIER. GRIER would not release the gun. RAFAEL JOHNSON then asked GRIER for the gun and GRIER gave the gun to JOHNSON.

BRESLIN, standing very close to SIRHAN and being face to face with him, asked him twice, "Why did you have to do it?" SIRHAN's eyes were rolling and he did not answer. SIRHAN then tried to thrash around with his legs and body, but those holding him kept him secure.

After SIRHAN SIRHAN was secured by BARRY, JOHNSON, GRIER, PLIMPTON, and ROGERS, and being held by GRIER, JOHNSON, PLIMPTON and ROGERS, BILL BARRY went to Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. BRESLIN occasionally looked over at Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

The police then arrived and SIRHAN was turned over to them by GRIER, JOHNSON, PLIMPTON and ROGERS.

BRESLIN stated that he did not see the actual shooting and that he had not seen SIRHAN before this. He saw no one in a polka dot dress.

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BRESLIN has since heard several reports concerning the shooting. One was that DICK TUCK of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY's staff chased SIRHAN off the platform twice and another that DICK HARWOOD of the Washington Post actually saw SIRHAN shoot Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

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Date 6/24/681

Mr. PAT FERGUSON, Correspondent for the Baltimore Sun newspaper, Washington Bureau, National Press Building, Washington, D. C., furnished the following information:

He accompanied the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY on the California Primary trip. At the time of the assassination of Mr. KENNEDY, in the early morning hours of June 5, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, he was out of the hotel getting something to eat and did not observe anything directly in connection with the assassination. At no time during any of Senator KENNEDY's speeches in California did he ever see SIRHAN SIRHAN, the alleged assassin of Mr. KENNEDY, and does not recall seeing any girl in a polka dot dress alleged to have been seen talking to SIRHAN sometime prior to the assassination. He was unable to furnish any pertinent information in connection with the assassination of Mr. KENNEDY or any information concerning the alleged assassin.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 8/13/68

LARRY IRVIN FINDLY, 3816 West 118th Street, Hawthorne, California, home telephone number 676-9988, was interviewed at his residence and furnished the following information concerning his whereabouts at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, in the early morning hours of June 5, 1968.

FINDLY advised he is a free lance sound man, and on June 4, 1968, he was employed by the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) network to assist in the coverage of the California primary election returns at the Ambassador Hotel. During this coverage, FINDLY stated he worked with a free lance cameraman, JOHN VIAZANKO, also employed by CBS. FINDLY recalled he arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at about 7:00 p.m. on June 4, 1968, and until 11:30 p.m. remained in the Embassy Room and Colonial Room, the latter designated as the official Press Room. FINDLY stated that at about 11:30 p.m. he accompanied VIAZANKO to the nearby Beverly Hilton Hotel to get some film, and they returned to the Ambassador Hotel at about 12:10 a.m. on June 5, 1968. They immediately returned to the Embassy Room and were situated adjacent to the speakers platform when Senator KENNEDY made his victory speech. Upon the completion of Senator KENNEDY's speech, FINDLY and VIAZANKO remained in the Embassy Room and secured several photographs of the crowd. Moments after Senator KENNEDY left the speakers platform, FINDLY heard what sounded like two balloons burst, then heard several more bursts. FINDLY and VIAZANKO immediately ran into the vacant area between the speakers platform and the Embassy Room service pantry, at which time FINDLY observed a male Caucasian who had been shot. FINDLY did not recall this individual's name but stated this gentleman was employed by North American Airlines. Due to the impact of the crowd, FINDLY and VIAZANKO were pushed away from the area where Senator KENNEDY had been shot, however, FINDLY observed Senator KENNEDY being removed from the service pantry on a stretcher.

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FINDLY advised at no time during the confusion did he observe the individual who allegedly shot Senator KENNEDY. Further, after observing a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, FINDLY stated that he had seen no one who resembled SIRHAN prior to the time FINDLY observed SIRHAN's photograph in a Los Angeles newspaper on June 5, 1968. In addition, FINDLY stated that nothing came to his attention prior to the shooting to indicate this event would occur.

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EVAN FREED, 9431 Cresta Drive, Los Angeles, California, telephone 870 5900, advised as follows:

Until recently, he was a freelance photographer for the Copley News Service. In that capacity, for about four weeks prior to the assassination of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, he had covered the Senator's activities in the Los Angeles area. At about 7:00 PM the night of the 1968 California Primary (June 4, 1968) he went to the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, where he remained for approximately fifteen minutes and then went upstairs to the KENNEDY rooms on the fifth floor where he stayed until about midnight when Senator KENNEDY and his party went downstairs to the Embassy Room. FREED did not accompany them but used the stairs to reach the Embassy Room. About twenty five feet outside of the Embassy Room, he became involved in an altercation with another photographer during which time his camera was damaged. In order to get out of the crowd, he went to the kitchen area of the Ambassador Hotel to try to fix his camera. He was still in the kitchen area when Senator KENNEDY, who had finished his appearance in the Embassy Room, entered the kitchen through the main door to the kitchen. At the time, FREED was located at a row of tables in the corridor. The Senator shook hands with numerous people on entering the area. The Senator was within six to eight feet of FREED when the latter let his gaze drop towards the floor and at that moment FREED heard noises which sounded to him like firecrackers going off. He then looked up and saw a man shooting a gun. Some people were trying to grab the individual while others were "hitting the floor". The man who was doing the shooting subsequently was identified as SIRHAN SIRHAN. SIRHAN was the only person FREED saw shooting. FREED did not see Senator KENNEDY hit by gunfire or see him fall to the floor, but he did subsequently observe the Senator lying on the floor and though the, the Senator, was dead. There was much shouting at this time, and FREED did not hear any particular conversation. The man who was

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shooting was disarmed, but FREED did not recall the disarming procedure. He did recall seeing the shooter pushed against a table and pinned down. FREED then left the kitchen area in an attempt to locate a telephone to call some friends and tell them to turn on their television sets. Being unable to locate a telephone, FREED returned to the kitchen area where his name was taken by the Los Angeles Police Department.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 7/28/68

ED GUTHMAN, "Los Angeles Times," daily newspaper, advised that he was one of the officials who had arranged for news coverage of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY's appearance at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on June 4 and 5, 1968. GUTHMAN stated that he was at the Ambassador Hotel the night of the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, having dropped by to congratulate Senator KENNEDY on his primary victory.

GUTHMAN advised he had not observed SIRHAN SIRHAN prior to the assassination in the early morning hours of June 5, 1968. He had observed no suspicious activity in the hotel prior to the assassination.

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Date 7/22/68

VIRGINIA GUY, 4319 18th Street, N.W., furnished the following information:

Mrs. GUY takes photographs for Pictorial Parade whose main office is at 130 W. 42nd Street, New York City. Mrs. GUY was with the KENNEDY and McCARTHY Campaign Party in Oregon and she was with the KENNEDY Party in California.

On the night of June 4, 1968, Mrs. GUY was in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel. She took pictures in the Embassy Room up to and during Senator KENNEDY's victory speech.

Mrs. GUY left the Embassy Room before KENNEDY finished speaking. She did not know where he was going after his speech and knew only that he was going to a party at the Factory. KENNEDY kept speaking longer than Mrs. GUY thought he was going to and she walked around in the halls of the Ambassador waiting for him to finish. She walked into the kitchen area and was surprised to see KENNEDY and the people with him walking towards her. She had entered the area from the opposite end the Senator entered.

She was about 15 feet away from the Senator when she turned her back to him and began swiftly walking away so that she could take a better picture of him. While she was walking away, she heard some noises which sounded like fire crackers. A few steps later, she turned around and saw the Senator falling. At that time she was further away from the Senator than she had been when she first saw him. Mrs. GUY took no pictures after she left the Embassy Room where the Senator was making his Victory Speech.

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In the confusion that followed the shooting of the Senator, someone ran into Mrs. GUY and his fist struck her mouth where it chipped the corner of one of her upper center teeth. She did not feel the person purposely hit her in the mouth but did it as he ran into her. This person came from in front of her in the direction of Senator KENNEDY.

Mrs. GUY felt that this individual had something metal in his hand and believed that it was a greyish color. She thinks that the object was a gun, although she did not really see the object.

Later Mrs. GUY saw BILL BARRY and RAUER JOHNSON holding an individual down on a counter who she learned was SIRHAN. She thinks that SIRHAN was the same person who ran into her and caused her tooth to be chipped; but she is not positive of this. She stated that because of the confusion in the area at the time, she has a hard time remembering exactly what happened.

Mrs. GUY did not remember ever having seen SIRHAN before, either that evening or during the campaign. She remembered seeing no girl in a polka dot dress in the Ambassador Hotel that evening.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 8/6/68

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Mr. BRIAN HAMILL, 478 68th Street, Brooklyn, New York, telephone number 833-2930, stated that he is a free lance photographer and that on the evening of June 4, 1968, he was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, with his brother, PETE HAMILL, a writer, covering the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign.

BRIAN HAMILL did not have the proper credentials and could not get in to hear and see Senator KENNEDY's speech; consequently, he was in the lobby of the hotel and did not see or hear the shooting.

There was an entrance to the hotel near the press room but BRIAN HAMILL could not get in because he lacked the proper identification.

In the lobby of the hotel, while facing the check-out desk, to the right are two doors which look like an employees' entrance and which BRIAN HAMILL believes leads to the kitchen area. While waiting in the lobby, BRIAN HAMILL noticed people going in this door and he would have tried to go in that way except for the fact that he was afraid of being caught and thrown out of the hotel.

While waiting in the lobby all of a sudden two people came running out of the ballroom. One went toward the telephones, the other ran down the stairs. BRIAN HAMILL thinks they may have been reporters. Then many people came out. They were crying and there was much confusion. Then he saw a young man being carried out. He thinks this young man was shot in the leg. Later he saw SIRHAN SIRHAN being taken out. He did not see Senator KENNEDY.

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Later BRIAN HAMILL's brother, PETE HAMILL appeared in the lobby and took BRIAN into the press room and the kitchen where the shooting occurred. All bodies and SIRHAN SIRHAN had been removed.

While waiting in the lobby and when the confusion started, BRIAN took some pictures of the crowd which he described as not very good. He took no pictures of SIRHAN SIRHAN or Senator KENNEDY during or after the speech.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 8/6/68

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Mr. PETE HAMILL was interviewed at his temporary residence, 196 Berkeley Place, Brooklyn, New York, telephone number 638-8215. He stated that he will be moving within a week to 479 14th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

He is a free lance writer and on June 4-5, 1968, while living in California, he covered the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign.

During the evening of June 4, 1968, prior to Senator KENNEDY making his victory speech, HAMILL was in Senator KENNEDY's suite in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, with Senator KENNEDY and JIMMY BRESLIN, the writer. HAMILL went to the elevator with Senator KENNEDY when Senator KENNEDY was on his way to make his victory speech.

There was confusion at the elevators and HAMILL did not get on the same elevator with Senator KENNEDY.

During Senator KENNEDY's speech, HAMILL stood on the podium to Senator KENNEDY's rear and left. This was near the left rear corner of the podium near some drapes and some stairs that went down. Standing near HAMILL were GEORGE PLIMPTON, the writer, and PLIMPTON's wife, FREDDY. Standing near the stairs was BILL BARRY of Senator KENNEDY's staff.

During the speech "a guy" or a "kid" tried to get on the podium by coming through the drapes which were in back of HAMILL. BILL BARRY noticed this individual and told him to get out. HAMILL would not recognize this individual if he saw him again.

When Senator KENNEDY finished his speech, HAMILL or PLIMPTON asked BILL BARRY which way to go out.

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BARRY pointed to a corridor to the pantry. HAMILL and PLIMPTON went out that way which was down the nearby stairs and HAMILL did not see Senator KENNEDY leave the podium. HAMILL next saw Senator KENNEDY in the pantry. HAMILL was walking along with GEORGE PLIMPTON in front of Senator KENNEDY and to his (Senator KENNEDY's) right about ten feet. HAMILL did not know that Senator KENNEDY was going to the press room but thought Senator KENNEDY was headed for "The Factory" where a party was to be held. As HAMILL was walking along and looking back, he saw Senator KENNEDY turn to his left to shake hands with someone. After Senator KENNEDY shook hands with this individual, he (Senator KENNEDY) turned to continue walking straight ahead. At this time what HAMILL thought were five shots were fired in very rapid succession. HAMILL looked and saw SIRHAN SIRHAN who was standing in front of and to Senator KENNEDY's left about seven or eight feet with his (SIRHAN's) arm fully extended and his face in tremendous concentration shooting a gun at Senator KENNEDY. Senator KENNEDY was falling to the floor and someone caught Senator KENNEDY.

ROSIE GRIER ran by HAMILL and "slammed" SIRHAN into a table. GEORGE PLIMPTON rushed over to SIRHAN and went for the gun. RAFAEL JOHNSON came out of somewhere and HAMILL thinks that JOHNSON got the gun. SIRHAN was "thrown up on a table" or group of tables and "slid down to the end of the table" or tables.

There was much yelling and noise and HAMILL was momentarily "stupified". He then looked at his watch. It was 12:12 a.m., June 5, 1968. HAMILL heard people saying such things to SIRHAN as "Why did you do it?" HAMILL did not hear SIRHAN say anything.

HAMILL stated that he did not see or notice SIRHAN before the shooting. HAMILL did not touch SIRHAN.

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HAMILL went out of the hotel by or near the press room to get his brother BRIAN HAMILL, a photographer, who did not have a pass to get in to watch the speech.

HAMILL stated that he looked at his watch when Senator KENNEDY's body was removed and it was 12:32 a.m.

After the shooting WARREN ROGERS of "Look Magazine" and BUD SCHULBERG, a writer who lives in Los Angeles, came out of the press room and into the room where the shooting occurred.

HAMILL stated that he heard later that there was an entrance to the hotel near the press room in which entrance to the hotel and the kitchen or pantry area could be easily had.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/24/68

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Mr. JOHN HERBERS, "New York Times" correspondent assigned to the Washington, D. C. Bureau, furnished the following information:

He accompanied the campaign party of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY through Oregon and California, having joined the group in the middle of March 1968.

At the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY he was in the temporary press headquarters located in the Colonial Room of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California.

Senator KENNEDY's victory speech was watched by Mr. HERBERS and other members of the press corps on a television set in the Colonial Room. About the time Senator KENNEDY was giving his speech they were notified the Senator would come to the press room for a news conference for the "writing press". It had been understood during the evening of June 4, 1968, that the Senator would appear before the press, however, the exact time was not known until the election trend had been firmly established. Approximately five minutes before the shooting, they were notified the Senator would be there shortly.

Mr. HERBERS stated there were probably between six hundred and a thousand people in the Embassy Room where the victory speech was given. Because of the crowd, KENNEDY staff workers and the members of the press were using the kitchen area as a corridor between the Embassy Room and the Colonial Room.

While still working in the press room (Colonial Room), HERBERS heard gun shots in the kitchen area. At the time they sounded like firecrackers, however, he rushed into the

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kitchen area where the shots came from and described the scene as "utter chaos". By working his way forward he observed BILL BARRY near the end of the warming counters struggling with someone. He also saw ROSIE GRIER and RAFAEL JOHNSON struggling with the same person.

Mr. HERBERS then saw SIRHAN SIRHAN for the first time, and described him as having dark hair and an olive complexion.

He observed a dark Latin-type man beating on SIRHAN SIRHAN's head. Mr. HERBERS had never seen this individual before and described him as in his late thirties or early forties, medium height, and heavy set.

At about the same time he saw Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor.

In the immediate vicinity he observed FRED DUTTON, an assistant to Senator ROBERT KENNEDY; DUN GIFFORD, an assistant to Senator EDWARD KENNEDY; and DICK DRAYNE, ROBERT KENNEDY's press secretary.

Mr. HERBERS did not see any girl or woman in a polka dot dress.

He was sure he had not seen SIRHAN SIRHAN before the instant when he observed him struggling with Mr. BARRY in the kitchen area after the shooting.

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Date 7/8/68

GEFFERY HODGSON, Correspondent, London Sunday Times, National Press Club Building, furnished the following information:

HODGSON spent the last ten days of the California Primary Campaign in California traveling with the KENNEDY and MC CARTHY parties. At the time of KENNEDY's victory speech, HODGSON was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel listening to the speech in person. He was accompanied by BRUCE PAGE and ANTHONY CLIFTON, also of the Sunday London Times.

As soon as KENNEDY finished his speech and before he began to move through the crowd, HODGSON, PAGE and CLIFTON left the Embassy Room by going down an iron staircase to the parking lot. They did this to avoid getting trapped in the crowd. They did not know which way the Senator would go after making his speech or what his exact plans were.

While outside HODGSON heard about the shooting and he went back inside the hotel. He went towards the kitchen area but was unable to enter the area because of the crowds. He did not see the Senator or SIRHAN at that time.

HODGSON does not recall ever having seen SIRHAN at any time during the campaign. In addition he does not remember seeing any girl at the Ambassador Hotel who was wearing a polka dot dress.

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HILLARY LAMB, research assistant, London Sunday Times, National Press Building, furnished the following information:

Miss LAMB was in California during the primary campaign in her capacity as an employee of the London Sunday Times. However, she did not cover the campaign and her duties were confined to the Los Angeles Times Building. The only time Miss LAMB was with the KENNEDY party was the night of June 4, 1968. She was at the Ambassador Hotel that evening. At the time of KENNEDY's victory speech she was in the press room in the Colonial Room. LAMB had been told that KENNEDY would come to the press room after the victory speech. She did not know which route he would take to the room.

Before the Senator arrived, LAMB heard what she thought were balloons breaking. She then learned he had been shot. Miss LAMB did not see KENNEDY after the shooting and does not remember seeing SIRHAN at the hotel any time that evening. Miss LAMB does not remember seeing a girl in a polka dot dress at the hotel.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/28/68

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JOHN WILLIAM LEWIS, 11606 Vantage Hill, Arlington, Virginia, was interviewed on June 20, 1968, and furnished the following information:

He stated he works as the electrician with the crew of JIM WILSON and BOB FUNK. The crew had been under contract to Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), Washington, D. C., for coverage of Senator KENNEDY's presidential campaign. LEWIS said he was not on the Oregon campaign, except the last night, due to being on his honeymoon.

On the night of the assassination the crew was in Senator KENNEDY's suite of rooms before the speech in the Embassy Room. As they left to go to the Embassy Room the Senator rode down on the elevator and the crew ran down five flights of stairs. They filmed the speech from the stage. After the speech LEWIS said BILL BARRY said, "BOBBY, we're supposed to go this way." "This way" meant through the crowd. The Senator answered "No" and headed down the steps toward the rear. LEWIS said they followed about ten to twelve feet behind. He first heard the shots when they reached the swinging doors. It sounded like a "pop" then a number of shots in rapid succession. He and the crew rushed forward, still filming and knelt down to KENNEDY's head. LEWIS said he told JIMMY to keep shooting. JIMMY was crying and shouting and was not looking through the view finder. LEWIS stated he grabbed the lens and aimed it the best he could. At the end of the magazine JIMMY said, "I can't do anymore, we're out of film." LEWIS said he ran to the Colonial Room and got another magazine. He fought his way back to the kitchen and gave the magazine to BOB FUNK. JIMMY then threaded the film and laid the camera aside. LEWIS said he helped block the entrance, where KENNEDY was eventually taken out, with two laundry carts.

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When the ambulance arrived LEWIS said he got the camera and gave it to JERRY SIMS and they followed the ambulance in a cab and filmed the rest of the events at both hospitals.

LEWIS stated he could not recall seeing SIRHAN before seeing him on television. He did not see the girl in the polka dot dress.

The other news media men he said he could recall in the corridor were JOHN HART, CBS, Washington, D. C., and JERRY SIMS, free lance, Los Angeles.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/5/68

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CHARLES N. QUINN, Correspondent, National Broadcasting Company (NBC), 4001 Nebraska Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., advised that he was assigned to the coverage of the KENNEDY Presidential Campaign since March 28, 1968, and followed the campaign until Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated.

QUINN advised that he was in the Ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel, in Los Angeles, California, on June 5, 1968. He was on as news commentator for the midnight news. Just as he was about to finish his news broadcast, he heard a lot of screaming and shrieking and someone ran into the room and shouted that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. He immediately left the room and forced himself through crowds of people into the kitchen area. He walked up to Senator KENNEDY who was lying on the floor with his head in what appeared to be blood. QUINN got up on a serving table and stayed there until Senator KENNEDY was removed from the room.

QUINN advised that Senator KENNEDY was awake while he was lying on the floor. QUINN recalled hearing a voice, similar to Senator KENNEDY's saying "Can you please step back so I can have some air." Senator KENNEDY was fingering a rosary on his waist line and ETHEL KENNEDY was rubbing his chest. ETHEL seemed to be calm.

QUINN advised that when Senator KENNEDY was picked up by three or four men, he said about five times in a very painful voice, "No!" KENNEDY was placed on a stretcher, and his eyes were now closed. QUINN did not know if Senator KENNEDY was unconscious.

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QUINN advised that there was much confusion in the room and it seemed like such a long time between the time Senator KENNEDY was shot and when he was removed on the stretcher.

QUINN advised that he recalled seeing ETHEL KENNEDY, Mrs. JEAN SMITH, BILL BARRY, DICK TUCK (advance man for Senator KENNEDY), FRANK MANKIEWICZ (Press Secretary for Senator KENNEDY), PIERS ANDERTON, of KNBC, Los Angeles, California, and his crew were on the spot taking pictures, and possibly JULES WITCOVER, of the Baltimore Sun. QUINN advised that he was not personally with any other newsmen, and when Senator KENNEDY was removed from the area, he returned on television and reported what news he could about the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

QUINN advised that he accompanied Senator KENNEDY on both the Oregon and California primaries. He did not know the plans and scheduled route of Senator KENNEDY after his victory speech. He had never seen SIRHAN SIRHAN before, and did not see him during the day of the shooting, to the best of his recollection. He recalled seeing many polka-dot dresses among the crowd surrounding Senator KENNEDY, but did not recall any particular person. He knew there was a change in Senator KENNEDY's route. The Senator was to go through the ballroom after his speech, and a last-minute change took place, according to JIM DUNN, who recorded all of Senator KENNEDY's speeches. DUNN did not say why the change was made.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 7/1/68

ROBERT ROTH, Correspondent, Philadelphia Bulletin, 1238 National Press Building, furnished the following information:

ROTH covered the last week of the Oregon primary and the entire California primary. He divided his time between the KENNEDY and MC CARTHY campaigns. The night of the California primary election ROTH was at the Ambassador Hotel earlier in the evening and then he went to the Los Angeles Times Building to write his story. He was at the Times Building when the shooting occurred.

ROTH does not remember seeing SIRHAN SIRHAN at any time during the primary campaign and does not remember seeing a girl in a polka dot dress at the Ambassador Hotel. He did not think he could furnish any further information regarding the assassination.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 6/27/68

WALLACE TURNER, San Francisco Correspondent, New York Times, Suite 945, Fox Plaza, San Francisco, was interviewed regarding the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and stated that he was in a room at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles on June 4, 1968, with other members of the press, awaiting the arrival of Senator KENNEDY. Senator KENNEDY was supposed to come to the press room after he had addressed a group of his supporters. TURNER and the other members of the press were observing KENNEDY on closed-circuit TV.

TURNER said he was covering the MAX RAFFERTY senatorial campaign and had gone over to Senator KENNEDY's press room while things were slow at RAFFERTY's press headquarters. After arriving in KENNEDY's press room, DICK DRAYNE, KENNEDY's press representative, told the group that KENNEDY would be coming to the press room. DRAYNE explained to them that there was such a large crowd in the other room that it would be best if KENNEDY came to them. TURNER said he was not aware of the names of the rooms at the Ambassador Hotel.

As they were observing KENNEDY leave the room by way of TV after addressing his supporters, TURNER said he heard three shots which sounded like the pops of firecrackers. He ran down the corridor and observed a struggle involving RAFFER JOHNSON and ROOSEVELT GRIER with a young man, whom he now knows to be SIRHAN B. SIRHAN. Several other people were struggling with SIRHAN and holding him down. TURNER said he continued on down the hall and obtained an open line on a telephone to his New York office.

He went back down the hall where Senator KENNEDY lay and observed SIRHAN still being restrained on a table. He also observed Los Angeles Police Departments officers arrive and saw SIRHAN being led off. GRIER was restraining bystanders from hurting SIRHAN.

TURNER said he had never seen SIRHAN before this time. He said he was a personal friend of Senator KENNEDY and for this reason was not covering his campaign. He identified LISA URCO, age 18, of Crawford High School,

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of Crawford High School, San Diego, and KARL UECKER, of the hotel staff, as two eye witnesses who saw SIRHAN shoot Senator KENNEDY. He said that both of these individuals have testified before the Grand Jury in Los Angeles.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 7/29/68

Mr. LEWIS BOIES, an attorney, 331 North Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California, telephone BRadshaw 2-8629, telephoned the Los Angeles Office of the FBI following attempts to contact ROSEMARY CLOONEY, singer and actress, through her business manager, Ira Frisbee Company, 9601 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, telephone 276-3168. Mr. BOIES said that he represented ROSEMARY CLOONEY who was ill and in the hospital and not available for interview. He said that he had discussed with her the circumstances surrounding the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, as ROSEMARY CLOONEY had attended the Senator KENNEDY campaign party at the Ambassador Hotel.

ROSEMARY CLOONEY, at the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY, was in the Press area of the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel and was not an eyewitness to the actual shooting, according to Mr. BOIES.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

9/13/68

JUDY BRAND, 10323 Ocean Gate Avenue, telephone number 674-5615, was interviewed at her residence and provided the following information:

BRAND advised that she had been employed as a Kennedy Girl in order to work for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in his seeking the Presidential nomination. On June 4, 1968, BRAND stated that she was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, and was making preparations to leave the hotel when she stopped to shake hands with ALAN CRANSTON, the Democratic candidate for United States Senate, when someone rushed past her shouting, "KENNEDY has been shot." She stated that she was not close to the actual assassination and did not see any of the occurrences at that time. She said that eventually after the people were allowed to leave the hotel, she was taken to her home by a girlfriend.

BRAND stated that prior to the assassination, she was waiting, along with a large group of people, for the Senator to come down from his room and make his victory speech. She stated that she, along with several other Kennedy Girls, were lined up along a doorway corridor when she noticed an individual take up a position directly in front of her. She said she made a comment to an NBC newsman who was standing close to her, "look at this". She stated she made this statement because the Kennedy Girls had been given rather preferential treatment and were allowed to assume position in front of the crowd. BRAND stated that the newsman then asked this individual to move and the individual replied, "This won't take long." BRAND said that this individual left a short time thereafter and she did not pay any attention to where he went. She said that she described this individual as being of possible foreign extraction with dark trousers, light blue shirt and having bushy hair. She said that she could not say with any degree of certainty that this individual was identical with SIRHAN SIRHAN, but that she had noticed some characteristics of this individual as being similar to the description of SIRHAN.

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Date 9/3/68

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DANIEL JOHN CURTIN, 236 Seventh Street, Jersey City, New Jersey, was interviewed and furnished the following information:

CURTIN advised that in June 1968, he was a full-time student, majoring in psychology, at Southwest College, Imperial and Western Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, during the time preceding the California Primary. He was a supporter and worker in the campaign of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. On election day, June 4, 1968, he was engaged during the greater part of the day in transporting voters to the polls. At approximately 8:00 p.m. he went to the Ambassador Hotel to take part in a KENNEDY victory party for the press and campaign workers.

CURTIN stated that at twelve midnight he was in the ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel, when Senator KENNEDY delivered his victory speech. CURTIN said that his location during the speech was to the right front of the podium approximately three feet from Senator KENNEDY. This location is as he was facing the podium. CURTIN said that Senator KENNEDY's speech lasted approximately nine to ten minutes, and at the conclusion of the speech he (CURTIN) engaged in jubilant shouting with the rest of the individuals in the ballroom.

CURTIN advised that at the end of the speech Senator KENNEDY turned and proceeded through the curtains at the rear of the podium into an anteroom. CURTIN stated that he then climbed over the podium and followed the crowd as it was surging after Senator KENNEDY. He stated that he was caught up in the movement of the crowd and proceeded through the anteroom into a corridor and then turned right and proceeded toward the kitchen area. CURTIN stated that he did not actually see Senator KENNEDY throughout the entire time that the group was moving through the anteroom into the corridor but caught intermittent glimpses of Senator KENNEDY through the moving crowd. CURTIN stated that the procession moved through swinging doors into a pantry area, and at the time he was approximately 15 feet behind Senator KENNEDY. CURTIN said that as he was about to go through the swinging doors he heard one loud report

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followed by two other loud reports in quick succession. CURTIN said that he then jumped quickly through the swinging doors and observed Senator KENNEDY falling to the floor in the pantry corridor.

CURTIN stated that the crowd of people immediately behind Senator KENNEDY seemed to suddenly open, enabling him to lunge to the side of Senator KENNEDY as he fell to the floor. CURTIN stated that Senator KENNEDY fell to his right and threw his right arm up in the air as if to grasp the right side of his head.

CURTIN advised that he was one of the very first, if not the first person, to reach Senator KENNEDY, and he immediately handed Senator KENNEDY a string of rosary beads. CURTIN and KENNEDY clutched the beads as CURTIN placed his lips near KENNEDY's ear and began an Act of Contrition prayer.

CURTIN stated that mass confusion in the area occurred at this time, and he recalled hearing various individuals around him screaming, and asking him if he was a priest. CURTIN stated that at this point, after being over Senator KENNEDY for approximately a minute, an unknown man helped him to his feet and told him that he had done all that could be done. This individual helped CURTIN a few feet away and at this point Mrs. ETHEL KENNEDY and her sister had arrived at KENNEDY's side.

CURTIN stated that it was at this time that he observed ROSIE GRIER and several other individuals holding a person later determined to be SIRHAN SIRHAN in the area of the bins, several feet down the corridor from KENNEDY's location. CURTIN stated that the surging crowd was screaming and trying to get to SIRHAN, but GRIER and others were protecting SIRHAN from the crowd, and at the same time they were trying to subdue him.

CURTIN said that he did not observe the shots being fired, and as he was leaning over Senator KENNEDY, KENNEDY appeared as if he was starting to say something, but if anything was actually said, the noise of the crowd prevented CURTIN from understanding it.

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CURTIN stated that during the next few minutes he was in a state of near shock but recalls the press and television commentators around him asking questions and following him wherever he went in the corridor.

At this time an individual, who identified himself as STU BLOCK, came to CURTIN's assistance and took him upstairs in the hotel away from the press and television commentators. CURTIN stated that BLOCK told him that he was from San Diego and was a member of the KENNEDY staff. While upstairs in the hotel, CURTIN was also assisted by STEPHEN SMITH, a KENNEDY staff member.

CURTIN provided the following description of himself:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	Jersey City, New Jersey
Height	5 feet 10½ inches
Weight	195 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Light brown
Distinguishing Characteristics	Wears full mustache
Father	PETER PAUL CURTIN, SR.
Mother	Deceased
Brother	PETER PAUL CURTIN, JR. Age 26
Sister	MAURA CURTIN, age 19
Military Service	United States Marine Corps September 1965 to April 1966 Medical discharge under honorable conditions because of ulcers
Clothing worn by CURTIN on night of June 4-5, 1968	Blue sports coat, light green trousers, yellow shirt, red tie, light green desert boots, green socks

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1Date 7/10/68

Mr. DOUGLAS DILTS, formerly employed by the United Press International, now associated with the public relations firm of CARL BYOIR and associates, 900 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, telephone MA7-6421, phoned on July 9, 1968, following attempts to contact him and advised the following:

Mr. DILTS stated he was at the Ambassador Hotel covering election returns from the early morning of June 5, 1968; however, he was in the Embassy Room at the time of shooting of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. When he received the news of the shooting, he rushed over to the Embassy Room and jotted down the names of some individuals who might be potential witnesses. These individuals were as follows:

DAVID ROCHE, white male, 34 years of age, 5'11" tall, 165 pounds, and from Los Angeles. He claimed he "saw the guy who shot KENNEDY."

RICHARD ORFALEA, white male, 22 years of age, 5'10" tall, 160 pounds, dark hair, dark complexion, from Los Angeles. ORFALEA, who was in the company of DAVID ROCHE, also claimed to have seen the man who shot KENNEDY. Both ROCHE and ORFALEA claimed that they had seen the man thought to be SIRHAN in the Embassy Room near the podium.

LIBBY RESNICK, 41 years of age, 5'2" tall, 110 pounds, short dark hair, medium build, from Los Angeles. She claimed she had seen person who was taken out by the police, earlier in the Embassy Room.

DILTS said he was in a hurry and did not get the street addresses or telephone numbers of these individuals.

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ROBERT E. ERNST, 43604 North 22nd ~~Street~~ West, Lancaster, California, phone 948-2955, was interviewed at the Antelope Valley Hospital, 1600 West Avenue J., Lancaster, where he is employed as the hospital administrator.

ERNST stated he was a guest at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, from about 6:00 p.m., June 4, 1968, to 9:00 a.m. June 6, 1968. He said he was there to attend a meeting of the American College of Hospital Administrators which was to be held at the hotel.

ERNST stated he walked into the lobby of the hotel in the early part of the evening on June 4, but due to the large crowd of people he decided to return to his room. He said he therefore went to his room and watched the appearance of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY on television. ERNST advised further that he does not know SIRHAN SIRHAN and does not recall ever seeing him until his picture appeared in the news media.

ERNST said he did not attend any of the American College of Hospital Administrators' meetings as he preferred to remain close to the television and keep abreast of Senator KENNEDY's condition.

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Date 8/7/68

GLORIA RARR, 12040 Salem Drive, Granada Hills, California, phone number 363-1641, furnished the following information with respect to her knowledge of the events of June 4, 1968, and June 5, 1968, at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, where Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot.

She stated that she was ~~not~~ a supporter of Senator KENNEDY, however, she wanted to see him in person and to witness the reported charisma and charm which he exudes. At approximately 11:30 pm, on June 4, 1968, she went to the Ambassador Hotel with VERNON THOMPSON, an NBC electronics technician and they parked the car at the rear of the Ambassador. They went to the Ballroom located underneath the Embassy Room in the hopes of seeing the Senator, but when he did not arrive by 11:45 pm, THOMPSON left to see where he was and came back and said that the Senator would be upstairs. THOMPSON told her that he had gone to the NBC truck, located outside the building, where he saw the Senator appear in the upstairs Ballroom on the television monitors located in the truck. They then went up the stairs leading to the Embassy Room and entered the Embassy Room, passing by a guard who did not challenge them.

They took up a position approximately four people deep from the front of the platform and just to the Senator's right. Just before the Senator finished his speech, a cordon of men formed to the Senator's right, leading from the platform steps in the direction of the press area. She then went to the area at the bottom of the steps and stood directly behind an individual whom she described as being a white male, with a dark swarthy complexion, dressed in a blue wooly sports coat, light blue shirt and light blue slacks. This individual himself was part of the cordon. She tried to get through him, but he would not let her through; however, another large man was about to barge through. When this happened, she told the person in front of her "How come you didn't let me through when you just let that person through", or words to that effect. There

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were individuals standing on the platform steps. One individual, who was standing on the second step, pushed aside the crepe paper with his foot and she wondered what he was doing, but decided that there were perhaps some television cables down there. He did this on two occasions, once approximately three minutes before the Senator finished his speech and the other time just a few seconds before the speech ended.

The Senator did not come through the cordon of men which was established for him, but exited the Ballroom through some curtains to the rear of the Ballroom. Moments later she heard four rapid and distinct cracks which sounded like "firecrackers". She then heard screams and shouts that the Senator had been shot, but she did not believe this until she saw a young girl proceeding from the kitchen area with the look of stark terror in her eyes. She tried to go into the kitchen area and was pushed into a corner by the crowd which exerted pressure from both directions. She heard a request for a doctor and then one young woman who said she was a nurse was able to get through. Since she, FARR, was also a nurse, she was also able to get in the kitchen passageway where she observed three wounded men. One was sitting in a chair with his chest area covered with blood and the nurse, who had proceeded her into the area, was applying an orange scarf to the area of the wound. The second was a slender young man sitting in a chair with an ashen face. She did not observe any visible wounds. The third was a middle aged man who was bleeding extensively from the head and who was lying in a pool of blood on the floor. She attempted to administer aid for him and asked the waiter where she could obtain a tray of ice. She obtained ice from the ice machine in the passageway, but as she was returning to the victim, someone took it from her and threw it away, saying, "What do we need that for". There were screams in the area and due to the confusion in the area, she panicked and started to cry. She then heard someone say "We don't need that, get her out of here".

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She observed Senator KENNEDY lying on the floor and one eye was open slightly more than the other. He appeared conscious, but she saw no blood on him, so she assumed that he was all right. She returned in the kitchen area until the Senator was wheeled away by some ambulance attendants and then she returned to the main Ballroom where she told everyone that the Senator was all right.

She later returned to her parked car with THOMPSON and they discussed seeing the individual on the platform steps poking under the platform with his shoe. They then went back to the Ballroom and observed the bracing under the steps was very narrow, being approximately one foot wide.

She went with THOMPSON to the NBC Burbank Studios and stayed there until approximately 4:00 am.

She stated that she telephonically contacted the Los Angeles Police Department and informed the department about what she had seen in the Ballroom for whatever significance it would have in their investigation. She was shown photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN taken following his apprehension and she advised that the individual who stood in front of her at the bottom of the platform steps in her opinion, is not identical to SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. She stated that in a previous interview, an officer of the Los Angeles Police Department, had shown her other photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, who was dressed up at the time, and she does not consider those photographs shown as being identical to SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN either. She also saw photographs of the brothers of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, and she recalls that the photograph of ADEL SIRHAN is a likeness, however, she does not feel that ADEL is identical with the individual who was in front of her.

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1Date 9/19/68

MAXIE FILER, 542 West Arbutus, Compton, California, upon interview, supplied the following information:

FILER advised that on the night of June 4, 1968, he was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, for the Senator KENNEDY victory celebration in the California Primary Elections.

FILER stated that at the time of the shooting, he was in another room some distance from the Embassy Room, where Senator KENNEDY was shot. He advised that he could provide no information of value regarding the activities surrounding the shooting either prior to, during or after the assassination.

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Date 7/31/68

RICHARD JOHN FRICK, 205 North Armel, age 21, advised during the previous semester, he was working for "Students for KENNEDY" at the University of California at Santa Barbara. He advised as follows:

On June 4, 1968, he departed Santa Barbara, California, arriving at Los Angeles about 10:00 p.m. and went to the Ambassador Hotel. He met a friend and obtained a Press Pass so that he could go to the Embassy Room, but first he visited the KENNEDY suite on the Fifth floor and talked briefly to Mrs. KENNEDY there. Then he went downstairs with the KENNEDY party, and as he entered the Embassy Room, he and his girl friend, VAIERIE SCHULTE, from Santa Barbara, were challenged by security guards. They would not let the girl into the room and also attempted to exclude several cameramen, but they finally let him through with the Press Pass. During Senator KENNEDY's speech, he stood about twenty feet in front of the platform, and as KENNEDY exited from the platform, he attempted to follow him but could not get very close because of the crowd and the number of newsmen who were pushing ahead of him. He did not see KENNEDY again until after the shooting.

He was about twenty or more feet behind the KENNEDY party in the corridor, when he heard what he thought were either shots or the slamming of refrigerator doors in the kitchen. Next, he heard someone shout to the effect that KENNEDY had been shot, and persons he believed to be KENNEDY aides were screaming for people to get out. There was much shoving as the crowd surged forward, and he could see cameramen with television lights focusing on somebody on the floor. There was complete confusion and someone hit him in the left ribs. He saw Mr. SCHRADER lying on the floor, and at this time there were about twenty-five or thirty persons in that area.

He worked his way close to the left wall and got within a few feet of where the Senator was lying on the floor.

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A Negro doctor came in and began to administer to Mr. SCHRADE, and someone insisted that he look at the Senator. At this point he saw his girl friend, VALERIE SCHULTE, standing near IRA GOLDSTEIN, who was wounded. Shortly thereafter, someone placed partitions around the wounded Senator, and he could not see him again, but he stayed in this room for one hour, staying near his girl friend, VALERIE, who was very upset and who was sitting on the floor. She was recuperating because of a broken leg.

He did not see SIRHAN SIRHAN at all and was not a witness to the shooting.

The only other witness he knew in that room was NANCY WALLACE, nee Webber. She recently married JOHN WALLACE and at present is living in San Francisco where her husband attends the University of California at San Francisco, Dentistry School.

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1Date 7/29/68

SUE HARRIS, 10280 Cheviot Drive, Los Angeles 90064, telephone 273-0418, telephoned the Los Angeles Office of the FBI following attempts to contact her for an appointment and related the following:

SUE HARRIS, during the recent campaign of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, acted as secretary for DICK KLINE, Press Relations Manager for Senator KENNEDY in the Los Angeles area. HARRIS, just prior to the time that Senator KENNEDY was shot at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, was in the Press Room set up for the KENNEDY campaign party at the hotel. When Senator KENNEDY was about halfway through his speech in the Embassy Room, she went to her room in the hotel to pack and prepare to leave. When she returned to the area of the Embassy Room, she learned that Senator KENNEDY had been shot.

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) had talked to SUE HARRIS, and she had furnished an address book of individuals who were connected with the KENNEDY campaign staff.

HARRIS stated that she had a boy friend, HARVEY PEPPER, who had been in the Embassy Room at the time of the shooting and had stated to her that he had been really close to the shooting. She did not know whether HARVEY PEPPER had been interviewed in this matter by the FBI. She was of the opinion that the Police Department had interviewed Mr. PEPPER who lived in an apartment on Kings Road near Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles, telephone 653-5366.

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ROBERT M. KLASSE, 7800 Clearfield Avenue, Van Nuys, California, was interviewed at his place of employment, 3850 Wilshire Boulevard, at which time he furnished the following information:

He himself was not a volunteer for the Kennedy Committee, however, he and his wife are good friends of JUDY ROYER and on the night of June 4, 1968, they went to the Ambassador Hotel to await the results of the California primary election. They arrived at approximately 7:30 PM and, with the use of some blue passes which JUDY ROYER had obtained for them, they went to the Embassy Room of the hotel.

KLASSE and his wife spent most of the evening in the Embassy Room, but at approximately 11:00 PM he left the room to get some drinks. After leaving the room, the security guard at the main entrance refused to let him in because the room had become crowded. In an effort to reenter the room, he went through the kitchen area. At that time, he did not notice anyone in the kitchen.

Upon reentering the Embassy Room, he went to the area where the ABC television cameras were set up to await the arrival of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

While waiting in the vicinity of the television cameras, a man, who was monitoring one of the doors adjacent to the podium on which Senator KENNEDY was to give his speech, asked him if he would mind watching the door for a few minutes. KLASSE consented to watch the door and while doing so he observed a man who was later identified to him as SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN attempting to pass through the door. As SIRHAN attempted to go through the door, KLASSE tapped him on the shoulder and said that no one was allowed in the area other than members of the ABC staff. At this point, SIRHAN turned around and went back into the central area of the Embassy Room. At the time KLASSE observed him, he was wearing a light blue pullover shirt and blue wash trousers. SIRHAN did not have a jacket on and KLASSE observed that since the shirt and trousers were tight fitting it was unlikely that SIRHAN had a gun in his possession at this time.

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Approximately one half hour after the incident involving SIRHAN, Senator KENNEDY arrived to give his victory speech. On the arrival of Senator KENNEDY, one of the doors, which KLASSE had previously been watching, was opened directly in front of him and he was unable to see Senator KENNEDY. After listening to the Senator for a few minutes, he left the Embassy Room, passed through the kitchen and went to the Colonial Room. While passing through the area of the kitchen, he met JUDY ROYER and she accompanied him to the Colonial Room. Upon arrival at the Colonial Room, they watched the Senator on television for a few minutes and then decided to try to return to the Embassy Room by means of the kitchen area.

As he and ROYER were walking through the kitchen, they saw the crowd moving towards the Colonial Room and realized that Senator KENNEDY had finished his speech and was now making his way towards the Colonial Room by way of the kitchen area. Since they wanted to avoid the crowd surrounding Senator KENNEDY, they both turned around and were making their way back towards the Colonial Room when KLASSE heard several loud pops which sounded like firecrackers. At this point, he was approximately 30 feet from Senator KENNEDY and he could not actually see the Senator. However, he did see people pushing and struggling with someone. At this point, there was a great deal of shouting and someone yelled that the door should be watched and no one be allowed to come in. KLASSE went to the door of the Colonial Room and refused to allow anyone entrance into the kitchen area. After standing at the door to the Colonial Room for a few minutes, one of the security guards came by and KLASSE asked him to keep the people from coming into the kitchen area. He then attempted to go to the area where the shooting had occurred, but because of the crowd he was unable to see any of the injured people.

While standing in the vicinity of the Colonial Room door, he observed officers of the Los Angeles Police Department taking SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN out of the area. At this point, he unquestionably recognized SIRHAN as the same man that he had

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seen earlier attempting to pass through the doors in the area of the ABC television cameras.

KLASE stated that during the time he was in the kitchen, just prior to the arrival of Senator KENNEDY and the shooting he noticed some of the cooks and waiters in the area, but did not see SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. KLASE further stated that while he was in the kitchen area his wife remained in the main portion of the Embassy Room and did not see SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

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INNGARD MITCHELL, 1190 South Ken ~~Daton~~, who is _____ employed as a Sales Clerk, Evening Gown Department, of the May Company Department Store, Wilshire and Fairfax, Los Angeles, California, advised the following:

INNGARD MITCHELL had attended the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party at the Ambassador Hotel on the evening of June 4, 1968 and the morning of June 5, 1968. She was in the Embassy Room at the time that Senator KENNEDY was shot. She did not see the shooting nor did she see SIRHAN SIRHAN and has no recollection of seeing anyone resembling SIRHAN SIRHAN. MITCHELL said that she had talked to a female who was in the Embassy Room at the time of the shooting, who had claimed that she had seen a person she thought to be SIRHAN SIRHAN in the Embassy Room prior to the shooting, but she did not know this person's name and could not furnish a good description at this point except she was a Caucasian. MITCHELL said that the Los Angeles Police had questioned her at the Ambassador Hotel shortly following the shooting, at the time that they were seeking witnesses. Later, a Sergeant from the Los Angeles Police Department had contacted her and she had given him all of the negatives of the pictures she had taken during the evening. She could not recall the full name of the Sergeant but she had said the phonetic spelling of the last name was KARCHATTI.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 8/13/68

Mr. ALBERT ORFALEA, 4131 Adlon Place, Encino, California, advised the following:

He stated his son, RICHARD ORFALEA, who had attended the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on the evening of June 4, 1968, and the a.m. of June 5, 1968, was not residing in the Los Angeles area. He, at this time, was in the Phoenix, Arizona area on a United States Air Force Reserve two-week training program. RICHARD is scheduled to return to his residence at 455 Eddy Street, San Francisco, California, telephone (415) 771-7052, on August 12, 1968. RICHARD is employed in the International Department of the Bank of America in San Francisco.

Mr. ORFALEA said that on the basis of what RICHARD had related following the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, RICHARD had not actually observed the shooting. There had been some speculation concerning whether or not RICHARD had observed SIRHAN SIRHAN in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel prior to the shooting.

Concerning the identity of DAVID ROCHE, who reportedly had been in the company of RICHARD ORFALEA, Mr. ALBERT ORFALEA said that he did not know DAVID ROCHE by name or description but that RICHARD could possibly identify DAVID ROCHE.

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RICHARD ORFALEA, 455 Eddy Street, telephone 771-7052, furnished the following information:

ORFALEA is presently a trainee in the International Banking Department of the Bank of America and temporarily assigned to the Columbus Branch of the Bank of America at 1455 Stockton Street, San Francisco.

On the night of June 4, 1968, following the primary elections in the State of California, ORFALEA and a friend, PATRICK MC LAUGHLIN, went to the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, about 9:00 p.m. On that evening the Ambassador Hotel was the location of victory celebrations being held by the various successful candidates in the primary elections.

During the course of the evening, ORFALEA and MC LAUGHLIN visited several of the different celebrations and were the recipients of a number of free drinks being offered.

About 11:00 p.m. ORFALEA was in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, which was the scene of the victory celebration of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. At that particular time ORFALEA was alone and noticed a young man standing along the side of the room off to the right of the speaker's platform. This individual seemed out of place as he was dressed shabbily and appeared to be of foreign extraction, possibly Cuban. He was probably about 22 to 24 years of age, approximately 5'5" tall, had dark eyes, dark hair, and was of slight build. He was wearing a nylon-type jacket similar to a wind-breaker, but ORFALEA does not recall the color of the jacket. MC LAUGHLIN later joined ORFALEA in the Embassy Room; however, he did not see the individual referred to by ORFALEA.

Sometime after Senator KENNEDY had finished speaking, there was a commotion in the room, and ORFALEA heard someone yell what he thought was the word "fire". At this point MC LAUGHLIN suggested that they leave the Embassy Room. They ~~then went over to a room on the same floor where candidate~~

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ALAN CRANSTON was having a victory celebration. Upon entering this room they learned from conversation that someone had been shot. MC LAUGHLIN suggested that they go over by the telephone booths on the second floor as there would be reporters congregating in that area and they might learn who had been shot. They went to the telephone booths and talked to an unknown reporter who told them Senator KENNEDY had been shot. About this time a security officer, who was not a Los Angeles Police Officer, came by with a young boy who appeared to have his hands handcuffed behind his back. This boy was of foreign extraction, short, and of slim build. ORFALEA could furnish no further description of the individual. At the time, ORFALEA was of the opinion this individual was the same person he had seen earlier in the evening in the Embassy Room and who appeared to be out of place. However, he now is not sure that it was the same individual.

ORFALEA was shown three pictures of SIRHAN SIRHAN, and after studying these pictures, stated that the strange individual he saw in the Embassy Room about 11:00 p.m. on the night of June 4, 1968, could possibly have been SIRHAN SIRHAN but that he is rather hazy about the matter at this time and cannot be certain.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Miss VALERIE SCHULTE, interviewed at her temporary residence Apartment 3, 6587 Del Playa, furnished the following information:

She was, during the past year a student, at University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB). During this past spring, she was Headquarters Manager of the Kennedy for President Headquarters in Isla Vista which is adjacent to the UCSB campus.

On the night of June 4, 1968, she, and others on the staff, worked at the headquarters until about 8:00 P.M. and then went to Los Angeles to join in the festivities at the Ambassador Hotel where Senator KENNEDY had his headquarters on the fifth floor. They arrived at the hotel at approximately 10:00 P.M. and went to their rooms on the third floor of the hotel. After "partying" awhile, a couple of the girls in the group went to the fifth floor to the KENNEDY headquarters and when they came down, they heard that Senator KENNEDY was going to leave his room and go to the ballroom on the first floor.

She, and several others, decided to go to the fifth floor where they could get a look at Senator KENNEDY. They took the elevator and when they arrived at the fifth floor and the doors opened, a rush of reporters into the elevator kept them from getting off. The reporters said that Senator KENNEDY had gone down to the main floor so they stayed on the elevator and went to the first floor. They then learned that Senator KENNEDY had gone into the Embassy Room at the hotel to greet the crowd. On the elevator she met DICK FRICK another member of the Isla Vista group of workers. FRICK had a press pass and he went into the Embassy Room with the press. She was not allowed in the room as she did not have a pass.

Miss SCHULTE stated that she was on crutches from a recent leg operation and did not want to get into the press of the crowd as she had very poor balance and she was afraid of getting knocked down and crushed. At the door of the Embassy Room she saw State Senator BEILENSEN and his wife. She recognized

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them as she had met them before. They also could not get in the Embassy Room, however, the security guard on the door told them of another way into the room. This way was through the back way and through a pantry apparently somewhere near the kitchen. She asked BEILENSEN if she could "tag along" with him and his wife.

She followed BEILENSEN into the pantry and through a door into the Embassy Room, which put them into the room about four to five feet from the stage. There was a tremendous crowd in the room and after listening to Senator KENNEDY speak she decided that she should get out of the way before he left and the crowd knocked her down. She then left the room and took a position where she thought she would be able to see Mr. KENNEDY and still be out of the middle of the crowd. She felt that he would leave from the front of the stage and pass through two lines of volunteer workers who appeared to be forming a passage-way for him.

She left the room and went into one of the small rooms just off the stage entrance. In a few moments she saw Mr. KENNEDY about three to four feet from her. He apparently had left the stage by a different route than had been planned. Mr. KENNEDY was leaving the Embassy Room via the back way, which was the way she came into the room.

While Mr. KENNEDY was leaving the room, he was talking and shaking hands and she "tagged along" in the crowd behind. She was about four to five feet from Mr. KENNEDY when she saw him turn to either greet or shake hands with a group of kitchen workers who were lined against the wall of the corridor. At almost the same time she saw a gun in the hands of a man who seemed to be reaching toward Mr. KENNEDY and pointing the gun at him. She noted that it was a small gun, black in color, and with a very short barrel. She thought at first it was a toy and then she heard what she later learned were shots. She still did not realize what was happening. She saw the gun and the man holding it and he seemed to keep shooting and shooting. She was not sure how many shots she heard but felt there must have been at least six. She then realized there was shooting and felt that someone was going to shoot everyone in the room. It appeared to

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her that the man with the gun was reaching over someone to point the gun, but she does not recall anyone in front of the man. She noted only that he was a small dark-complected man with dark hair. She did not notice him enough to be able to positively identify or recognize him again.

At about this time she was knocked down by the rush of the crowd and could not get up. She was afraid of getting crushed or shot and crawled back down the corridor or room to a partition leading into another adjoining room. While crawling into the room she recalled crawling past a man who was on her right and was lying on the floor very still. She thought he was dead and noted that he was covered with blood.

She finally sat down next to a Mr. GOLDSTEIN who had also been shot in the hip. She was sitting there when Mrs. ETHEL KENNEDY came into the room and spoke to GOLDSTEIN.

Miss SCHULTE advised that she could not identify the person she saw with the gun and who probably was the person who shot Mr. KENNEDY. She stated that there was so much noise and excitement that she never did really focus on the individual with her eyes. She did not see Mr. KENNEDY get hit, at least she did not know that he had been hit as she was knocked down or fell down soon after she heard the first shots.

She was later joined in the room, where she had taken refuge by DICK FRICK who was not previously with her in the hallway when Mr. KENNEDY was shot.

She concluded by stating that she could furnish no further information regarding the shooting of Mr. KENNEDY.

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CHERYL SHIED, residing at 16443 Georgia Avenue, advised that her maiden name is Cheryl Moore. She said she was recently married and she is residing with her husband at the residence of her parents.

Mrs. SHIED said she was a member of the Compton Junior College Headquarters of Kennedy for President. She said that she was at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California, during the evening of June 4-5, 1968.

Mrs. SHIED said she was not in the area where Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot. She said she has no personal knowledge concerning the incident.

She said she has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and does not recall ever having seen him before. She said she was sure she did not see him at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4-5, 1968. She said that she had no information concerning the background of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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Mr. JAMES E. SMITH telephonically advised that he had just returned from Australia and had learned through a friend that the FBI in Los Angeles had indicated an interest in talking to him. SMITH stated that he holds dual citizenship in the United States and Australia and at the time of this assassination was working for the campaign of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He advised that he did not witness the actual shooting, and at the approximate time of the assassination he was just about to enter the Ambassador Hotel.

According to SMITH, he determined that the FBI was interested in talking with him from a female acquaintance of his, Miss JOAN HULL of Los Angeles, California, who has already been questioned by the FBI. SMITH said that he did not know SIRHAN SIRHAN and did not believe he could furnish any information concerning the assassination; however, he indicated he wanted to cooperate with the FBI in any way he could.

At the present time he is residing at the Fox Plaza, Room 2715, San Francisco, telephone number 621-9848. He is currently unemployed.

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VERNON THOMPSON, Big Bear, California was telephonically contacted on September 26, 1968 to request appointment for interview. THOMPSON advised that he is presently employed by radio station KTOT, Big Bear, California. THOMPSON asked purpose of interview and was advised it was concerning events at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California on June 4-5, 1968.

THOMPSON advised that he was at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4, 1968 with a friend, GLORIA FARR, at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY made his victory speech. He stated that he was in the room where KENNEDY made his speech. Later on KENNEDY left the room and entered a hallway, which apparently led to the kitchen where the assassination took place. THOMPSON stated he never himself entered the hallway leading to the kitchen and he, in fact, never heard the shots which were responsible for the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. He stated that he never saw any of the individuals involved in the shooting, nor was he told any information by anyone present concerning the assassination.

THOMPSON advised that he did not observe anything at the Ambassador Hotel which he could even remotely connect with the assassination. He stated he knew of no one at the Ambassador Hotel who would have any information of value concerning the assassination.

THOMPSON stated in view of the fact that he has no information concerning this matter, he did not think that any further interview in this matter would be productive.

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Date 9/19/681

ELAINE TROUPE, 5717 Santa Monica Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, supplied the following information:

TROUPE advised that on the night of June 4, 1968, she was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot.

TROUPE stated that she was in a downstairs room at the time of the shooting and was unaware that the Senator had been shot until a few minutes after it occurred. She stated that upon hearing that he had been shot, she went to the Central Receiving Hospital, but was denied admittance. She stated that she then went to the Good Samaritan Hospital where she heard that Senator KENNEDY was going to be transferred to that hospital. She stated that she subsequently was asked to leave the hospital area by Sheriff's deputies, which she did.

TROUPE stated that she does not recall seeing or hearing anything unusual prior to the assassination and that she could provide no information regarding this matter.

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NANCY WALLACE (Mrs. JOHN WALLACE nee Webber), 10 Behr Avenue, San Francisco, telephone 564-8883, furnished the following information:

WALLACE is presently an employee of the Fireman's Fund American Insurance Companies, 3333 California Street, San Francisco, and is a student in the Computer Programming Section.

On the day of the State of California primary elections, June 4, 1968, a group of about 25 students, including WALLACE, from the University of California at Santa Barbara, California, had a suite on the third floor of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California. This suite was registered in the name of ROGER ARBUCKLE. The students arrived at their suite in the Ambassador Hotel about 10:00 p.m., and for over an hour watched the results of the primary elections as they were being broadcast on television.

About 11:30 p.m. some of the students decided to leave the suite to see what was going on in the hotel. VALERIE SCHULTE, who was handicapped with a cast due to a broken leg, and WALLACE ended up at the Embassy Room on the second floor of the hotel shortly after they left their suite. They tried to gain entrance to the Embassy Room in order to join the victory celebration for Senator ROBERT KENNEDY, but were informed that they could not enter the room without a press pass. They then decided to try to get into the Embassy Room by going through another room and through the kitchen into the anteroom and then into the Embassy Room. They were successful in this endeavor, and arrived in the Embassy Room as Senator KENNEDY was speaking to the gathering. The room was very crowded, and SCHULTE found it difficult to maneuver with her leg in a cast so she withdrew and went back to the kitchen area.

WALLACE stayed in the Embassy Room until after Senator KENNEDY finished speaking and was standing near a doorway leading from the Embassy Room into the anteroom.

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She did not see Senator KENNEDY leave the Embassy Room; however, shortly after he finished speaking, she heard some noises, to which she did not pay any attention, but which she now thinks could have been shots. Right after she heard these noises, a commotion started in the room and people were saying someone had been shot. She worked her way out of the Embassy Room, and returned to the suite occupied by the students. It was there that she learned that Senator KENNEDY had been shot.

To the best of her recollection, WALLACE feels that she did not see anything connected with the actual shooting of Senator KENNEDY, and has no recollection of observing anyone answering the description of SIRHAN SIRHAN. She does recall that VALERIE SCHULTE later told her that she had been very close to Senator KENNEDY in the kitchen when he was shot.

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RICHARD PERCY WILLIAMS, 4050 Ursula, Apartment 2, Los Angeles, California, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and that he was being contacted for an appointment to discuss his knowledge of the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

WILLIAMS advised that he was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4-5, 1968, but he did not see Senator KENNEDY at any time.

He stated that he was unable to get into the room where the Senator spoke and he heard about the shooting while driving his automobile after leaving the hotel.

He stated that he has no information whatsoever concerning the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

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LAWRENCE ALLEN YOUNG, Inmate, Westmoreland County Prison, was furnished with an Advice of Rights form which he signed.

YOUNG stated that he worked for the "Kennedy For President" as a volunteer worker and worked under WILLARD MURRY, whom YOUNG described as an aide to Mayor YORTY, Los Angeles, California. YOUNG said the "Kennedy For President" Headquarters was located at 5515 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and he obtained a 1958 Ford Fairlane from one of the staff workers in the Transportation Division of "Kennedy For President" on the night of the KENNEDY - MC CARTHY debate in San Francisco, California, exact date unrecalled.

YOUNG said he used the car in connection with "Get Out The Vote" work by the "Kennedy For President" Headquarters and he, YOUNG, was in the hotel in Los Angeles the night ROBERT KENNEDY was assassinated and actually saw KENNEDY fall to the floor, however, he, YOUNG, did not see any of the incidents leading up to or following the shooting. YOUNG said, "I fell to the floor like the rest of the cowards."

YOUNG said that after the KENNEDY assassination, he was quite confused and used the car prior to and following the closing of the "Kennedy For President" Headquarters office.

YOUNG said he decided to continue to use the car as his own and left Los Angeles, California, on July 2, 1968, with MARY FRANCES STEPHENS, age 25, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Mrs. EUNICE GREENWOOD, age 34 - 35; and her son, LUTHER GREENWOOD, age 18, 5100 Northwest Maple Street, St. Louis, Missouri, who had formerly resided at 1301 South Kenmore, Los Angeles, California, and a young man by the name of JIM (last name unrecalled, approximately 18 - 19 years of age, who originally comes from Connecticut.

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YOUNG said he dropped MARY FRANCES off in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and continued on to St. Louis, Missouri, where EUNICE, LUTHER and JIM were dropped off at EUNICE's brother's place, located in the 5100 block, West Maple Street, St. Louis, and after staying for approximately four days, he, YOUNG, returned to Albuquerque, arriving back in Albuquerque about a week later.

YOUNG said he stayed in Albuquerque until September 4, 1968, when he left to go to Englewood, New Jersey, to get his daughter, LORETTA YOUNG, born out of wedlock on [redacted], at East Meadowbrook, Long Island, New York, to DORIS FAISON, formerly of Faison, North Carolina. she is presently being cared for by Mrs. CROSS, 178 High Street, Englewood, New Jersey, and she was formerly in the East Meadowbrook, Long Island, hospital after being abandoned by her mother.

YOUNG said he was married on January 20, 1962, in New York City, to JEAN YVETTE YOUNG, nee PIERCE, of New York City, and they have one child, DEBORAH ANN YOUNG, born [redacted], New York City.

YOUNG said he wanted to take both of his children, DEBORAH and LORETTA, back to Albuquerque, provided he could get the consent of his wife and Mrs. CROSS to do so.

YOUNG contended that he had hopes of divorcing his wife and marrying MARY FRANCES STEPHENS and raising his children in Albuquerque and be employed by the American Furniture Company.

YOUNG said that he has astigmatism of both eyes and is unable to obtain an operator's license, yet he can drive many thousands of miles without any trouble whatsoever.

YOUNG furnished the following statement relative to the 1968 Ford Fairlane 500:

"Greensburg Pa
Sept 13, 1968

"I, LAWRENCE ALLEN YOUNG, born Chambersburg Pa on [redacted], do hereby furnishe the fo following statement to CYRIL J. LAFFEY. Who I k know to be a special agent of the F.B.I.

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"Mr. LAFFEY has furnished me with an advice of rights form which I signed.

"On or about July 2nd 1968 I left Los Angeles California in posession of a 1968 Ford Fairlane 500# touequoise color bearing California license plate VZK-657 which vehicle was the property of the Hertz Corp. Los Angeles, Calif. I drove the above vechicle in interstate commerce to Greensburg Pa area knowing that I did not have the athurity or permission to do so. I was in posession of the above car at the time I was arrested by a Pennsylvania State Police officer on interstate 70 near Greensburg Pa.

"I have read the above statement consist- ing of one full page and part of a second page. And I have initialed each page and any correc- tions therein.

"I hold this statement to be true and correct in every respect to the best of my recollection. No promises, threats or offers of reward have been made to me in order to obtain this statement.

"/s/ LAWRENCE ALLEN YOUNG

"Witness - CYRIL J. LAFFEY - Special Agent, FBI,
Greensburg, Pa. 9/13/68
CHARLES MEYER, JR. Dep Warden
Westm'd Co Prison"

A review of Westmoreland County Prison Record #808-68 disclosed on September 13, 1968, that LAWRENCE ALLEN YOUNG, #808-68, was committed 11:55 p.m. on September 6, 1968, by Squire ALEX J. KELLNER, New Stanton, Pennsylvania, on a charge of fugitive from justice and a hearing was set for September 14, 1968.

YOUNG was described as follows:

Race	Negro
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Born	, Chambersburg, Pa.
Height	5' 7"
Weight	145 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Scars	Cut scar side of head; 7" scar left forefinger; 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ " scar left index finger; scar across bridge of nose.
Wife	MARY FRANCES YOUNG, 1200 Los Tomases, N. W., Albuquerque, New Mexico
Social Security No.	
Occupation	Salesman

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YOUNG was mugged and printed on September 9, 1968, at the Westmoreland County Prison.

On September 13, 1968, the facts of instant case were discussed with Assistant United States Attorney Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, at which time Mr. STANTON authorized a complaint charging LAWRENCE ALLEN YOUNG with a violation of Title 18, Section 2312, U. S. Code, and recommended bond in the amount of \$1,000.

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On September 13, 1968, the authorized complaint was filed by SA JOHN J. WALZER before U. S. Commissioner ALEX L. MC NAUGHER, Western District of Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and a warrant was issued on the same date.

On September 13, 1968, Deputy Warden CHARLES MYERS, Westmoreland County Prison, Greensburg, Pennsylvania, advised that the Westmoreland County Prison had been notified of a detainer for LAWRENCE ALLEN YOUNG on that date by the U. S. Marshal's Office, Pittsburgh.

On September 13, 1968, Mr. WILLIAM QUINN, Salesman, Regy Mentzer, Inc., Ford Dealer, Route 30 East, Greensburg, advised that a 1968 Ford Fairlane, four door, VIN 8K34F139985, was listed in the National Automobile Dealers Association Book as having a value of \$2,350.

On September 13, 1968, Sergeant HARRY ANDERSON, In Charge of Criminal Detail, Troop A, Pennsylvania State Police, Greensburg, was advised of the authorized Federal prosecution of LAWRENCE ALLEN YOUNG by the Assistant United States Attorney, Western District of Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Sergeant ANDERSON indicated that Pennsylvania State Police fugitive charges would be dropped in favor of the Federal warrant

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BACKGROUND CONCERNING SIRHAN FAMILY

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Date August 29, 1968

R. T. HENDRICKSON, 612 Colman, advised that he and his family formerly resided at 681 E. Howard, Pasadena, California. They moved from there to their present home on Labor Day 1966.

They never knew any members of the SIRHAN family. HENDRICKSON knew that a mother and her sons lived across the street from him, but he did not know any of them personally nor did he even know their names. He never spoke to them so far as he can remember. He did see members of the family as they would come and go from their home but he never had any contact with them.

So far as he can remember, the SIRHAN family was quiet and never created any problems in the neighborhood.

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Mrs. GLADYS PERDOMO, 5246 East Florence, Bell,
California, was interviewed and provided the following ^{Date} information:

PERDOMO advised that she resided at 691 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California, for approximately six years prior to moving to the Florence Street address. She stated that this address of 691 East Howard was directly across the street from the residence occupied by the SIRHAN family. She stated as a result of this close proximity to the SIRHAN family, she became very well acquainted with the various members of the family during her time of residence at the Howard Street address.

She stated that on several occasions, she talked to SIRHAN SIRHAN but for the most part, these conversations were of a general nature. She stated that they never discussed politics nor did SIRHAN ever bring up political subjects as an item for discussion. She stated that she never heard SIRHAN mention anything about clubs or organizations either political or otherwise. She stated that they never discussed any minority groups or ethnic groups nor did she ever hear him say anything derogatory regarding races or religion.

PERDOMO stated that she attempted to discuss various passages from the Bible with SIRHAN, but that he had made it quite clear on several occasions that he did not want to discuss the Bible or have anything to do with religion.

PERDOMO further advised that she could describe SIRHAN only as a "loner" and during the entire time she knew him, she never knew him to have any close friends or girl friends.

PERDOMO stated in conclusion, that she could offer no further information regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN and his activities.

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Mr. LAMBERTUS WANSINK, 804 East Howard, advised that, although SIRHAN SIRHAN and his family lived only a short distance down the street from him, he did not know any member of the family well. He recalls that SIRHAN SIRHAN stopped by his residence several times and petted his dog. He chatted casually with SIRHAN but never had involved conversations with him. He did see SIRHAN as he walked by their home on his way to work.

He and his wife are from Holland, which SIRHAN somehow learned, and one day SIRHAN told them that he worked for a Dutchman at a health food store on Lake Street.

He has spoken several times with MARY SIRHAN but does not know her well. He believes she is a hard worker and a very religious person.

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BETTY TAPIA, 691 East Howard, related that she has lived at her present residence about one year. She knows MARY SIRHAN slightly and has spoken with her several times but does not know her well. She knows that MARY SIRHAN's boys live with her but she does not know them by name.

She and her husband were in the SIRHAN home on one occasion and she thinks that at that time she may have met SIRHAN SIRHAN. She believes that MARY SIRHAN is a religious person who works hard. She knows nothing about the political beliefs or statements of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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DANIEL TAPIA, 691 East Howard, stated that he believes he has spoken to SIRHAN SIRHAN on one or two occasions but is not certain since he never was introduced to all of the boys in the family. On one occasion, he thinks he met SIRHAN in the family home when he and his wife were there to see MARY SIRHAN for a shorttime. He can recall no specific conversation with SIRHAN.

He believed that MARY SIRHAN is a very religious person who works hard to take care of her family. He knows nothing about the political beliefs of any member of the SIRHAN family.

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BETTY WANSINK, 804 East Howard, advised that she did not know SIRHAN SIRHAN well. She has had several short conversations with his mother, MARY SIRHAN, but they have never discussed political matters.

She recalls that recently, while she was in the front of her home, MARY SIRHAN stopped to talk to her as she was walking by. MARY SIRHAN told her that newspaper stories saying that SIRHAN SIRHAN was married and had a brother in another country were wrong. WANSINK told MARY SIRHAN that her feeling was that her son must have somehow been paid for what he did. MARY SIRHAN then stated that what he did he did alone. She then related a story about a childhood experience involving his paper route which she apparently believed proved his honesty.

WANSINK only saw SIRHAN SIRHAN, previously, on one occasion. She saw MARY SIRHAN somewhat more frequently but is not a close friend.

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THEODORA VAN AMERSSOORT, 416 West Poppyfields, advised that she has known MARY SIRHAN for about three years. Mrs. SIRHAN was working at the Westminster Nursery School on Lake Street when she joined the faculty there. She came to know Mrs. SIRHAN well. Mrs. SIRHAN was classified as a housekeeper but her position actually was to assist teachers at this school in preparing snacks, cleaning toys, and other jobs around the school.

Mrs. SIRHAN seldom ever mentioned her family, and although they were friendly with each other, Mrs. VAN AMERSSOORT and Mrs. SIRHAN never had any lengthy discussions.

Mrs. VAN AMERSSOORT only saw the SIRHAN boys when they waited in the car outside of the school for their mother. She knows that one of the boys is a musician but does not know his name.

Mrs. VAN AMERSSOORT has visited MARY SIRHAN in her home twice since June 4, 1968. On her first visit they mostly discussed items of mutual interest concerning the operation of the nursery school.

Mrs. VAN AMERSSOORT visited the SIRHAN home the second time on the Friday when SIRHAN SIRHAN made his first appearance in court. At that time, MARY SIRHAN told her that she knew why SIRHAN SIRHAN did what he did but stated that she was under a court order not to talk with anyone.

On the same occasion, MARY SIRHAN pointed out to her that a picture of the SIRHAN family in "Life Magazine" improperly identified members of the family. SIRHAN is actually the boy who is sitting in her lap in the photograph. MUNIR was not yet born at the time the photograph was taken. The boy named MUNIR who is shown in the photograph died as an infant but because he was such a pleasant child his mother named her last born son MUNIR after him.

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Mrs. SIRHAN had never discussed her feelings about Jewish people or political matters with Mrs. VON AMERSSOORT. Mrs. VON AMERSSOORT did not personally know SIRHAN SIRHAN and no additional information concerning the SIRHAN family.

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Mrs. RUBY HAYWARD, 1288 Topeka Street, Pasadena, California, is a widow and is retired. She attends the Lake Avenue Congregational Church in Pasadena.

About ten years ago, she met Mrs. MARY SIRHAN while both were sitting on a bus bench on Lake Avenue. It was Good Friday and Mrs. HAYWARD persuaded Mrs. SIRHAN to come to her church for Good Friday services. A friendship developed that has lasted to the present. Mrs. HAYWARD had SIRHAN SIRHAN do yard work for her when he was a student at John Muir High School. She has not seen him since his high school days but has always had a very high regard for him and the members of his family. She advised that she has no information bearing on his political interests or of the behavior that led him to the act of violence. She is very distressed about the whole thing because of her high regard for SIRHAN's mother.

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Mr. JOSEPH E. JACOBS of 2149 North El Molino, Altadena, California, is an employee of the U.S. Post Office in Pasadena, California (nights). Mr. JACOBS' ethnic background is Syrian.

Mr. JACOBS said he has never met SIRHAN SIRHAN. Sometime around 1959 when his daughter was attending Longfellow Grammar School at 1065 East Washington Street in Pasadena, he remembers picking up AIDA and MUNIR SIRHAN on one or two occasions during rainy weather to take them to this same school.

Mr. JACOBS said he recalled the SIRHAN children telling him that their father had returned to the Middle East, exact time not recalled by Mr. JACOBS. Mr. JACOBS said he had never been to the SIRHAN home on Howard Street in Pasadena and had never met Mrs. SIRHAN, the mother of the boys.

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Reverend Father JOHN REINHOLD, Syrian Orthodox Church, Third and Alvarado Streets, Los Angeles, California, advised that SIRHAN B. SIRHAN did not attend his church and he was not a member of the Syrian Orthodox Church in Los Angeles. Father REINHOLD stated that he was in the home of SIRHAN's family in Pasadena, California, about ten years ago when the SIRHAN young men were just small children. He stated that he did not recall SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and really knew nothing about the family. Father REINHOLD stated that he had been previously interviewed by Special Agents of the FBI who contacted his church not long after the shooting of Senator KENNEDY.

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Date 8/26/681

Reverend Father PAUL W. ROMLEY, Syrian Orthodox Church, Third and Alvarado Streets, Los Angeles, California, advised that SIRHAN B. SIRHAN never attended his church and did not join the church. Father ROMLEY advised that he had been previously interviewed by Special Agents of the FBI concerning SIRHAN's possible membership in the Syrian Orthodox Church in Los Angeles. Father ROMLEY stated he had no information concerning SIRHAN B. SIRHAN or the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

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INTERVIEW OF MRS. MARY SIRHAN,
MOTHER OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN,
ON AUGUST 12, 1968

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 8/16/68

MARY SIRHAN, 696 East Howard Street, advised that her son, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, had a savings account at the Lake Washington Office of the United States National Bank of San Diego, 1255 North Lake Street, Pasadena, California. She exhibited the passbook for this account, and a review of the passbook showed that the account number was [REDACTED], and that MARY SIRHAN was the trustee for SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

The account was opened on March 18, 1960, with a \$10 deposit, and the only other deposit to this account was on May 28, 1960, in the amount of \$8. According to the passbook, this account was closed on January 31, 1964, at which time the balance was \$20.30 from the accumulation of interest.

Mrs. SIRHAN stated that to her knowledge, this is the only bank account that her son, SIRHAN ever had. She doubted very seriously if he ever had another bank account, as he preferred to keep all of his money on his person.

Mrs. SIRHAN stated that she never saw her son wearing white duck trousers, and to her knowledge he never owned such trousers. She stated the closest thing to white duck trousers that SIRHAN owned, were a pair of beige trousers.

Mrs. SIRHAN stated that while SIRHAN was at Muir High School, he had a job where he watered the Von Carmon Estates, San Marino, California. During that period he also worked on a part-time basis for a man who did gardening work and house wrecking work. She does not know this man's name nor how he can be identified. At this time, she noted that while her son, SIRHAN, attended Pasadena City College, he did work for a very short time at a hamburger stand located somewhere in East Pasadena. She noted that he did not hold that job very long, and when he did work, he only worked for a few hours at a time.

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She stated that the only other employment she knows of that SIRHAN had, was working at a health store in Pasadena, and a Richfield Gas Station in East Pasadena, and race track employment at Santa Anita, and also at a farm in Corona, California.

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BACKGROUND CONCERNING
SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

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LOWELL J. BEAN, Assistant Professor of Anthropology at California State College, Hayward, California, was interviewed at his residence, 2040 O'Farrell, Apartment 308, San Francisco. BEAN received his BA and Master of Arts Degrees from the University of California, at Los Angeles, California, and is presently writing his dissertation for his Doctorate of Philosophy Degree, also from the University of California, at Los Angeles, California. BEAN furnished the following information on SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, with whom he is acquainted as SIRHAN was formerly a student in a Cultural Anthropology class which he taught at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, approximately Spring 1964. This was a two hour class that met on Tuesday and Thursday, consisting of approximately 40 students, many of whom were foreign students. At that time, BEAN was teaching three different anthropology subjects and introductory sociology, and believes that SIRHAN may have been a student in his sociology class, but is not sure of this.

He recalls SIRHAN as a pleasant, polite, reliable, good student, who dressed neatly and who got along with other students except on two occasions when he exhibited emotional outbursts during discussions with other students on the Israeli-Arab conflict.

It was his policy in teaching the Cultural Anthropology class to call on various students to prepare and give oral reports in class on the culture of their nationality. At his request, SIRHAN gave an informal report to the class on Arabic culture. SIRHAN discussed Pan-Arabianism, which he described as a joining together of all Arabic nations into a dominant cultural and political block which will become a major political power in the Near East. He described this cultural and political block of nations as overriding all their political boundaries into one integral unity. BEAN had never looked at the Arabic culture previously as a political force, and to him it was somewhat frightening to see the potential intense drive of this political fantastic force as related by SIRHAN. All of SIRHAN's thinking in his report was in the terms of Pan-Arabianism, Pan

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meaning "all" the Arabic nations including Northern Africa, Egypt, Turkey, and others joining together into one great force. SIRHAN became very emotional during his report, and when an American-Jewish student in class either asked SIRHAN a controversial question or made a negative remark about the Arabs' involvement in the current conflict with Israel, SIRHAN became emotional, almost to the point of violence. The emotional eruption between SIRHAN and this student almost developed into a fist fight which argument was stopped by BEAN.

Either after this incident or on another occasion a short time later, SIRHAN again became involved in a very heated discussion in the hall at school with a student on the Arab-Moslem-Israeli conflict. SIRHAN exhibited an almost uncontrollable temper in defense of Arab national unity.

SIRHAN did not associate with other students from the Near East, most of whom were from Iran. These students were "party boys" and not good students. SIRHAN was a good student and did his assignments well, but probably would not be classified as an "A" student. The other Near East students tried to connive their Professors into getting good grades and always had excuses for failing to do their class work.

There was an active New Left group at Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California, including a W. E. B. DuBois Club and Students For a Democratic Society. To his knowledge, SIRHAN had nothing to do with either of these groups, and was never active in their rallies or demonstrations.

On two occasions in 1965, after SIRHAN had left Pasadena City College, he stopped in to see BEAN at school. On one occasion, he had lunch with him and on another occasion, had dinner with him. BEAN at the time was teaching night school and believes on both occasions, SIRHAN stopped in to see him without previously calling him, and they were impromptu visits. He can not recall any of their conversations during the two visits. It was his practice, however, to frequently have lunch with his students and also have dinner with them when he was teaching night school.

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BEAN was on the Board of Trustees of the Malki Indian Museum, located on Morongo Indian Reservation near Palm Springs, California. Students paying \$.50 could become members of the museum and this money was used for the operation of the museum. SIRHAN became a member and BEAN was surprised to see this because actually, foreign students do not join the museum as they were not interested in this project. Many of the students who become members visit the museum and work with the Indians, however, he can not ever recall that SIRHAN visited the museum. The last time he had any contact with SIRHAN was when they had dinner in 1965.

The night former Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot in Los Angeles, California, BEAN was watching television and recognized SIRHAN as the accused assassin. When he saw that SIRHAN was involved, his mind immediately reflected upon what had occurred in his classroom when SIRHAN was giving a report and he became very emotional in his thinking on Arab unity. When SIRHAN was not emotionally disturbed, he had a very pleasant personality and got along nicely with other students.

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Characterizations concerning Students for a Democratic Society and W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs of America are attached as Appendix Pages to this section of the report.

APPENDIXSTUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

The Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), as it is known today, came into being at a founding convention held at Port Huron, Michigan, in June, 1962. The SDS is an association of young people on the left and has a current program of protesting the draft, promoting a campaign for youth to develop a conscientious objector status, denouncing United States intervention in the war in Vietnam and to "radically transform" the university community, and provide for its complete control by students. Gus Hall, General Secretary, Communist Party, USA, when interviewed by a representative of United Press International in San Francisco, California, on May 14, 1965, described the SDS as a part of the "responsible left" which the Party has "going for us". At the June, 1965, SDS National Convention, an anticommunist proviso was removed from the SDS constitution. In the October 7, 1966, issue of "New Left Notes", the official publication of SDS, an SDS spokesman stated that there are some communists in SDS and they are welcome. The national headquarters of this organization as of April 18, 1967, was located in Room 206, 1608 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois.

APPENDIX

APPENDIXW. E. B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA (DCA)

A source advised that on October 26-27, 1963, a conference of members of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), including national functionaries, met in Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of setting in motion forces for the establishment of a new national Marxist-oriented youth organization which would hunt for the most peaceful transition to socialism. The delegates were told that it would be reasonable to assume that the young socialists attracted into this new organization would eventually pass into the CP itself.

A second source has advised that the founding convention for the new youth organization was held from June 19-21, 1964, at 150 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California, at which time the name W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs of America (DCA) was adopted. Approximately 500 delegates from throughout the United States attended this convention.

The second source advised in September, 1966, that Mike Zagarell, CPUSA Youth Director, stated that in Negro communities the Party still supported the plan to build "left" socialist centers and to solidify the Party base through the DCA. This source also advised in September, 1966, that Daniel Rubin, CPUSA National Organizational Secretary, stated the Party believes the DCA should have a working-class outlook and be a mass organization favorable to socialism, socialist countries and Marxism, and in April, 1967, advised that Gus Hall, CPUSA General Secretary, indicated the DCA primary emphasis should be on developing mass resistance to the draft.

A third source advised in September, 1967, that Jarvis Tyner was elected chairman of the DCA on September 10, 1967, at the Third National Convention of the DCA held in New York, New York, from September 8-10, 1967.

A fourth source advised during August, 1967, that Jarvis Tyner is a member of the National Committee of the CPUSA.

A fifth source advised on September 21, 1967, that the headquarters of the DCA is located at 34 West 17th Street, New York, New York.

APPENDIX

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 9/20/68

Mr. HENRY CORDELIUS, telephone 447-3382, who resides at 747 West Camino Real, Arcadia, California, advised he recalled teaching German to SIRHAN B. SIRHAN at Pasadena City College in the Fall of 1963. He stated he had to check at the school to be sure he had taught SIRHAN, since it had been so long ago, however, he recognized pictures of SIRHAN when they appeared on television. He stated SIRHAN never caused him any trouble, was always polite, and, as he recalled, was not a very good student. He stated his only conversations with SIRHAN referred to SIRHAN's frequent absences from school, which SIRHAN explained by stating there was illness in the family. Mr. CORDELIUS recalled SIRHAN's sister later died of an illness.

Mr. CORDELIUS stated SIRHAN never talked to him personally about his political or social beliefs. Mr. CORDELIUS stated he was not acquainted with any of the other members of the SIRHAN family.

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by SA LLOYD D. JOHNSON/eb Date dictated 9/17/63

1Date 8/16/68

DUANE CRUMB, a part-time graduate student and full-time employee of the University of California at Riverside, was contacted at 640 Linden, Riverside and advised as follows:

He graduated from John Muir High School in Pasadena in 1963 with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. He considered SIRHAN a friend at that time as they had also attended Junior High School together. DUANE was shocked when he saw SIRHAN's photograph on television as the killer of ROBERT KENNEDY. He immediately called the Los Angeles Police and told them where SIRHAN was from and the little information he had. DUANE said he never met any other members of SIRHAN's family. He never heard SIRHAN mention any of his family and never heard of SIRHAN or his family being members of any unusual organization or subscribing to any "far out" ideas. He has had no contact with SIRHAN since high school graduation.

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by SA LANFORD L. BLANTON /mjb Date dictated 8/14/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 7/11/68

SAUL LECLAIR, 6723 Salter Avenue, Arcadia, California, furnished the following information:

He has been residing in California since May 19, 1961, when he entered this country on a student visa to study at Pasadena City College (PCC). It was at PCC sometime during 1963 that he first met SIRHAN SIRHAN, who was a fellow student. From their first meeting in 1963 until 1966 when LECLAIR finished at PCC, LECLAIR would often meet and talk with SIRHAN SIRHAN at the PCC cafeteria or occasionally at a coffee shop or restaurant neighboring the PCC campus. LECLAIR never visited SIRHAN's home, however, and their activities together were limited to the PCC campus.

LECLAIR described SIRHAN SIRHAN as a quiet person who displayed extremely good manners and who dressed very nicely. According to LECLAIR, SIRHAN SIRHAN was popular with other students of both sexes and LECLAIR believes SIRHAN dated frequently although he could not recall the names of any girls SIRHAN might have dated. LECLAIR could not recall the name of an oriental student at PCC who appeared, to LECLAIR, to be a close friend of SIRHAN. However, LECLAIR believes this oriental is related to the owner of Jung's Inn, a restaurant on Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena. The only other possible friend of SIRHAN SIRHAN that LECLAIR could recall is a TIM MC INTIRE of Pasadena. MC INTIRE, LECLAIR believes, is a friend of the SIRHAN family and might have been in some way connected with the sponsorship of the SIRHAN family when they entered the United States. LECLAIR could not provide any other information regarding MC INTIRE.

The conversations between LECLAIR and SIRHAN SIRHAN were mainly concerned with school and girls, but from time to time they would discuss politics. During these political conversations, SIRHAN never exhibited anything but a reserved reasonable demeanor and LECLAIR could not recall SIRHAN ever losing his temper.

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LECLAIR has not seen or talked with SIRHAN SIRHAN since 1966, and he could not provide any information regarding SIRHAN's activities since that time.

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Date 6/28/68

Mrs. MARGARET E. LOJESKI, nee Stice, Apartment 224, 20711 Vanowen Street, advised that she attended Pasadena City College from the Fall of 1964 until the Spring of 1966. She advised that during her first two semesters, her girl friend, JANET NEILSON, now Mrs. JANET LOJESKI, married to her husband's brother, was in a Biology class with SIRHAN SIRHAN. Mrs. LOJESKI advised that she had a couple of hours of free study period at the same time as SIRHAN SIRHAN and that they used to sit and talk together. She advised that they became fairly well acquainted in this capacity. She advised that the last time she saw SIRHAN was when she accidentally met him at the Colorado Theatre in Pasadena about one year ago.

She advised that she was quite shocked when she heard SIRHAN's name mentioned in connection with the investigation in the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She advised that she recalls him as a rather kind, nice person. She advised that he apparently was very proud of his Jordanian background and made some attempt to teach her the Jordanian language.

She advised that she does recall one argument that SIRHAN got into with a foreign exchange student at Pasadena City College. She does not recall the student's name but believes that he was either Jewish or from the country of Israel. She stated that she could not recall the nature of the argument, except that it was political, and SIRHAN got quite mad and stormed out of the room. He later told her that the foreign exchange student had a high opinion of himself and thought he was "so good".

She recalled that the only times she saw SIRHAN get "riled up" were over political matters affecting the mid-East. She could not recall any specific issues, however.

Mrs. LOJESKI advised that SIRHAN did have a friend by the name of SAUL (LNU) who was of French and

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Spanish descent and who was also a student at Pasadena City College in 1964. She advised that SAUL lived south of Arcadia on Duarte Street and worked as a parking lot attendant and usher at the Crown Theatre in Pasadena.

Mrs. LOJESKI advised that she never heard SIRHAN make any inflammatory statements or give any indications that he harbored any ideas of assassination. She advised that he always seemed to have money. She recalls that he did not say too much about his family but does recall him mentioning a brother, JOE, who was a musician. She never recalls him mentioning his mother but does recall him saying that his father was in Jordan.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 8/1/68

KEITH R. MC KAY, JR., a Student Counselor at John Muir High School, 1905 Lincoln Avenue, Pasadena, California, was interviewed at the school. He stated he recalled teaching 10th Grade English and Social Studies to SIRHAN SIRHAN in 1960 or 1961. MC KAY recalled SIRHAN as being "different" because he came from a foreign country. He stated SIRHAN had a good command of the English language for the short time he had been in the United States. He recalled SIRHAN appeared to like to wear his uniform of the California Cadet Corps, when some students refused to wear it if possible. He said while SIRHAN was polite, he was not reticent, and was willing to recite and discuss issues in class. Mr. MC KAY said they discussed world affairs at some length because it was a Social Studies class, and SIRHAN was interested. He saw no particular leaning on the part of SIRHAN against Israel at that time, although SIRHAN had a nationalistic interest in the fact that he was of Arabic background. He said the Suez crisis was recent enough that it was discussed in class, and the discussion as he recalled it was about evenly divided for and against Israel. Mr. MC KAY could recall no apparent anti-American feelings on the part of SIRHAN, although SIRHAN expressed a scholarly disapproval of United States policy in supporting Israel more than the Arab cause. This disapproval did not appear to be violent or to make SIRHAN too unhappy. Mr. MC KAY could recall no disciplinary problem regarding SIRHAN, and had nothing further he could recall concerning him.

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Date 6/21/681

VELMA MARLOW, 13202 Irvington Drive, Warren, Michigan, advised SA CLYDE B. LAUER that she was a teacher at the John Muir High School, Pasadena, California, in 1960. She advised that the name SIRHAN SIRHAN is vaguely familiar to her and that it may have been the name of a tenth grade student in her algebra class in 1960. She advised that she can not recall anything specific about this individual except that his first and last name were the same. She believed that he was an average student. She pointed out that she probably had him in her class for only one hour per day and could not remember anything specific about him.

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by SA CLYDE B. LAUER (A)/kyh Date dictated 6/18/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

7/29/68

Date

Miss SHIRLEY VEYLUPEK, who resides at 2584 Catherine Road, Altadena, California, was contacted at her employment with the Pacific Telephone Company at 41 South Chester Street, Pasadena, California. Miss VEYLUPEK stated she was acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN when both were students at John Muir High School in Pasadena in 1961 to 1963. She stated SIRHAN was a year ahead of her, but they had classes together. She said their relationship was only at school, and any discussions they might have had between classes or during school hours. She said they discussed religion on a couple of occasions, and she recalled SIRHAN was quite set in his ideas on religion, and in his interest in the social customs of the Middle East from which he came. She believed that SIRHAN was a Moslem, but was not sure about this. He would occasionally bring Arabic newspaper to school, and show the other students how to read some of the Arabic alphabet. Miss VEYLUPEK said there was nothing in SIRHAN's character which indicated any tendency toward violence, and he was always quiet and polite. She said they had taken a Russian language class together. She had nothing further to add concerning SIRHAN and stated she did not know any of the other members of his family.

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by SA LLOYD D. JOHNSON/mjn Date dictated 7/26/68

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Date 6/21/68

LUCIEN E. DICK, Manager of Industrial Relations, Burroughs Corporation, 460 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, California, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and then furnished the following voluntary information:

DICK advised that a search of previous employment applications reflects that employment application was filed by SIRHAN SIRHAN at this address on November 7, 1967. DICK advised he did not interview, or have occasion to see, SIRHAN as he was interviewed by MELVIN OLSON, Employment Representative with this company.

LUCIEN E. DICK made available the original employment application of SIRHAN SIRHAN which was made at the Burroughs Corporation, above, on November 7, 1967, which reflects the following information:

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CORPORATE UNIT
AND LOCATION:

EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION

"Burroughs policy is to seek employees of the highest quality and to select these employees on the basis of ability, experience, training, intelligence, character, and physical fitness without regard to race, religious creed, color, sex, national origin, ancestry, or age."

PLEASE PRINT • USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS
IF NECESSARY • SIGN AND DATE

LAST NAME SIRHAN		FIRST NAME SIRHAN		MIDDLE NAME -		MAIDEN NAME, IF MARRIED *	
PRESENT ADDRESS 696E HOWARD ST		CITY PASADENA CALIF		STATE 91104		TELEPHONE 7982136	
PREVIOUS ADDRESS 1647 N. LAKE AVE		CITY PASADENA CALIF		STATE 91104		TELEPHONE 7982136	
PERMANENT ADDRESS 696E HOWARD ST		CITY PASADENA CALIF		STATE 91104		TELEPHONE 7982136	
POSITION OR TYPE OF WORK DESIRED Assembler Trainee		SALARY DESIRED \$		REFERRED TO BURROUGHS BY		ADVERTISEMENT EMPLOYMENT AGENCY ☒	
						RELATIVE ☐	
						SCHOOL ☐	
						EMPLOYEE ☒	
						OTHER ☐	

GENERAL INFORMATION

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		WIFE	OTHERS		LIVE WITH PARENTS	ROOM			NO ☐	NO ☐
NAME RELATIVES OR FRIENDS EMPLOYED BY BURROUGHS None								HAVE YOU ANY RELATIVES WITH OTHER FIRMS IN THE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INDUSTRY		
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DESCRIBE ANY PHYSICAL HANDICAP, SERIOUS INJURY OR CHRONIC ILLNESS None								ARE YOU		
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HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED (EXCLUDE MINOR TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS)?		YES ☐	NO ☒	DATE, PLACE AND DISPOSITION	
HAVE YOU EVER APPLIED TO BURROUGHS BEFORE?		YES ☐	NO ☒	HAVE YOU EVER BEEN EMPLOYED BY BURROUGHS?	
		YES ☐	NO ☒	IF YES, WHERE	
HAVE YOU EVER BEEN GRANTED A SECURITY CLEARANCE?		YES ☐	NO ☒	HAVE YOU EVER HAD A SECURITY CLEARANCE OR FIDELITY BOND DENIED, SUSPENDED OR REVOKED?	
		YES ☐	NO ☒	IF YES, ATTACH SEPARATE SHEET WITH DETAILED INFORMATION.	
PERSON TO NOTIFY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY		NAME MARY SIRHAN		ADDRESS 696 E HOWARD ST PASA.	
				TELEPHONE 7982136	

EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL	NAME AND LOCATION John Muir	FROM MO. / YR. 9/60	TO MO. / YR. 6/63	GRADUATED MO. / YR. 6/63	YEARS COMPLETED 3	GRADES YOUR AVERAGE B	PERFECT SCORE
	COURSE OF STUDY General						
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U. S. MILITARY SERVICE

BRANCH OF SERVICE	DATE ENTERED	DATE SEPARATED	RANK AT SEPARATION	TYPE OF DISCHARGE	PRESENT DRAFT STATUS 4-C
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NAME OF COMPANY Granja Vista del Rio		ADDRESS Box 159 B, Corona, CALIF	TELEPHONE
DATE STOPPED 11/66	WEEKLY SALARY	STARTING POSITION AND DUTIES exercised race horses	
DATE STARTED Nov-1965	WEEKLY SALARY 100.00		
REASON FOR LEAVING		LAST POSITION AND DUTIES	
NAME OF LAST SUPERVISOR			
NAME OF COMPANY		ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
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REFERENCES

List three references other than employers and relatives who have known you for more than one year.

NAME	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION OR BUSINESS	YRS. KNOWN

DECLARATION & CERTIFICATION

I DECLARE THAT I am not now, nor have I ever been connected in any manner with any group or organization which believes in or advocates the overthrow of the United States Government by force, or by any illegal or unconstitutional means. • I do not have any reason to believe that any member of my immediate family or any other person residing with me is now, or ever has been, connected in any manner with any group or organization which believes in or advocates the overthrow of the United States Government by force, or by any illegal or unconstitutional means. • I have never been arrested (other than for a minor traffic violation) or charged with or convicted of a felony except as explained hereon. • I CERTIFY THAT the information on this application is accurate and complete and subject to verification by Burroughs Corporation. I understand that any misrepresentation or omission of facts or circumstances that would be detrimental to this application is sufficient cause for dismissal. • I understand that employment is contingent upon my passing a physical examination, and that all new employees are on a 90-day probation period.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: *Duban Duban* 138 DATE: *Nov 7-67*

Special Agent Russell B. Anderson

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 9/13/68

RENE JUAREZ, 227 North Raymond, Apartment 15, Pasadena, California, advises as follows:

From 1963 to 1967 he was the manager of an establishment known as Peak's Hamburger House, 3325 East Foothill Boulevard, Pasadena, California. The business was owned by DAVID ALVAREZ, who resides at 1615 El Sereno, Pasadena, California. ALVAREZ no longer owns the business and it is known as the Taco Treat.

From about 1963 through 1964, SIRHAN SIRHAN worked at the business. SIRHAN quit just before the school year of 1964. SIRHAN was a student at Pasadena City College and worked at the business during odd hours and on weekends and on holidays. He worked as waiter and sometimes assisted as short order cook.

JUAREZ described SIRHAN as a good worker with whom he never had any problems. SIRHAN always got along with other employees and was well liked by the others. JUAREZ recalls that two or three times he saw SIRHAN lose his temper and become quite visibly disturbed because of his anger. JUAREZ does not recall the specific incidents or what triggered them. None of the incidents resulted in any violence or anything other than strong words.

He does not recall any political comments or observations ever being made by SIRHAN.

JUAREZ has not seen SIRHAN since he left his employment at the hamburger stand. He has seen SIRHAN's photograph in newspapers and magazines and knows it is the same individual who worked for him at the hamburger stand several years ago.

JUAREZ stated that the former owner of the establishment, who sold it in July of 1967, would be the only one who might still have records of the other employees.

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by SA JON KOLOMITZ/dag Date dictated 9/12/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

EARL H. LAFFOON, apartment 202, 505 South Lafayette Park Place, Los Angeles, California, telephone number 388-9059, was interviewed at his place of employment, ^{Date} ~~Earl H. Laffoon~~ Investigations, Suite 210, 1833 West 8th Street, telephone number HU 3-6943, and furnished the following information:

On January 22, 1968, he was requested by Mrs. JEAN STINER of the Argonaut Insurance Company, 443 Shatto Place, Los Angeles, California, to conduct an investigation of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, 696 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California, described as 23 years of age, 115 pounds, and 5 feet 4 inches tall. SIRHAN has filed a claim against Altfillisch Construction Company, Route 1, Box 159 B, Corona, California, which company is insured by the Argonaut Insurance Company. According to LAFFOON, his records reflect that this claim related to an injury received by SIRHAN, on September 25, 1966, while SIRHAN was employed as an exercise boy at a horse farm, located in the vicinity of Citrus and Cleveland Streets, Norco, California, and operated by Altfillisch Construction Company. LAFFOON's records further reflect that this injury consisted of a cut on the chin and a cut on the left eyelid, and a bruised back and left hand.

LAFFOON's investigation in this matter covered two days, namely, January 25 and 26, 1968, and involved a surveillance in the vicinity of 696 East Howard Street, Pasadena, California, as well as a contact with SIRHAN B. SIRHAN's mother, at this location, on June 25, 1968; surveillance and photographing of an individual identified as SIRHAN B. SIRHAN's brother, ADEL SIRHAN, on June 26, 1968; and, surveillance and photographing of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, on June 26, 1968, as this individual proceeded on foot from 696 East Howard Street to Organic Pasadena, a health foods store, located at 1380 North Lake, Pasadena, California. LAFFOON, referring to his records, noted that when contacted on June 26, 1968, SIRHAN B. SIRHAN's mother stated that SIRHAN (SIRHAN B. SIRHAN) was currently employed at an unknown location, and worked irregular hours. LAFFOON further noted that his photographing of ADEL SIRHAN and SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, on June 26, 1968, involved the use of approximately 45 feet of 16 mm color film. According to LAFFOON, he gave this film to the Argonaut Insurance Company, and it is his understanding that the insurance company has furnished same to the Los Angeles Police Department.

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SA RICHARD J. RAYSA/jr - 140 - 8/9/68
 by _____ Date dictated _____

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LAFFOON advised that the entire results of his investigation were included in a report dated February 8, 1968, and furnished to the Argonaut Insurance Company. LAFFOON then furnished a xeroxed copy of this report, a reproduction of which is attached.

LAFFOON indicated that he has no further information regarding SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, or members of the SIRHAN family, and that he has never received any information regarding the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, on June 5, 1968.

February 2, 1968

Argonaut Insurance Company
443 Shatto Place
Los Angeles, California

Attention: Mrs. Jean Stiner

RE: SIRHAN B. SIRHAN vs.
Altfillish Construction Co.
2X 203445
L-3191

SURVEILLANCE REPORT

January 25, 1968

MR. SIRHAN was spot checked from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on this date. Including travel time, three and one-half hours were spent on this assignment this date.

The following is a brief summary of this date's spot check.

1:30 p.m. Upon arriving at MR. SIRHAN'S residence in Pasadena, we attempted a direct contact. The door was answered by MR. SIRHAN'S mother, who proved friendly and related the following information.

MR. SIRHAN is currently employed, but his hours are quite irregular at this time. His mother had no idea where he worked since he had told her it was none of her business. She went on to say that he had attempted to return to work as an exercise boy, but was unsuccessful, due to lack of seniority.

After learning the above information, the contact was ended. Since MR. SIRHAN'S mother had stated that his hours were quite irregular, we took up a position of surveillance, assuming he might return at any time.

4:30 p.m. Since MR. SIRHAN had not returned, and further surveillance seemed unwarranted, we discontinued

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- 10:00 a.m. MR. SIRHAN arrived at the Organic Pasadena. This proved to be a health foods store, located at 1380 North Lake, Pasadena, California. MR. SIRHAN then entered the store, going out of view.
- 10:30 a.m. Since MR. SIRHAN was still in the store, we placed a phone call and verified his employment at the health food store. A short time later, we entered the store and observed MR. SIRHAN in the back room, stamping small bottles, to be put on the shelf.
- 11:30 a.m. Since it appeared that MR. SIRHAN would remain in the building the rest of the day, we discontinued.

A total of 15 color was taken this date.

This information has been telephoned to you. We have suspended activity on this case until we receive further instructions from you.

Thanking you for this assignment, I remain,

Earl H. Laffoon

EHL:ls

cc: McLaughlin, Evans, Bailey, & Cumming
Mr. B. Evans

on this assignment for the day.

This information was telephoned to you. We will place MR. SIRHAN under early morning surveillance.

January 26, 1968

MR. SIRHAN was placed under surveillance from 4:30 a.m. to 11:30 this date. Including travel time, eight hours were spent on this assignment this date.

The following is a brief summary of this date's surveillance.

4:30 a.m. Surveillance commenced.

8:52 a.m. A man, fitting MR. SIRHAN'S description, departed the residence driving a Volkswagen. We followed him to the United Picture Frame Company, where he parked and entered the building, going out of view. As he was walking towards the building, we exposed 30' of 16 mm color film of this activity.

After he had entered the building, we made a Department of Motor Vehicles check of his vehicle. It proved to be registered Adel B. Sirhan. We then made an employment verification at the frame company, and it was learned that Adel Sirhan did work there. We then placed a phone call to MR. SIRHAN'S residence, and verified his presence at home. It was also learned that the man the investigator followed and photographed was MR. SIRHAN'S brother. They are apparently very similar in appearance.

We then returned to MR. SIRHAN'S residence and resumed surveillance.

9:50 a.m. MR. SIRHAN was first observed, as he was running down the sidewalk. As he ran, we exposed 15' of color film. MR. SIRHAN appeared to move in a free and easy, restricted manner.

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Information was previously reported by TERRY MICKEY WELCH that he and SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN had both been employed as exercise boys at a thoroughbred horse farm located at Corona, California. WELCH considered SIRHAN to be his closest friend. WELCH further reported that SIRHAN had been particularly friendly with one FRANK DONORAMA (subsequently determined to be HENRY R. RAMISTELLA). WELCH also indicated that DESI ARNAZ had also been well acquainted with SIRHAN.

Following are results of additional investigation in this matter:

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NY 44-1640

Re: HENRY R. RAMISTELLA aka
FBI No. [REDACTED]

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

JOHN HANLEY, Secretary-Treasurer, Thoroughbred Racing Protective Association (TRPB), advised SA JOSEPH WICKMAN, August 13, 1968, a stop would be placed against RAMISTELLA's record with TRPB and any information coming to the attention of TRPB concerning his whereabouts would be immediately transmitted to the New York Office.

AT MINEOLA, NEW YORK.

Lieutenant HARRY G. KAPLUN, Identification Bureau, Nassau County Police Department, on August 16, 1968, furnished the following information concerning RAMISTELLA contained in PD file number 23598 to SA JOHN J. GALLAGHER:

Name	HENRY RONALD RAMISTELLA
Sex	Male
Race	White
Born	[REDACTED], Bronx, New York (1956)
Height	5 feet 6 inches
Weight	115 pounds
Build	Medium, slender
Hair	Brown, blond
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Fair
Scars, marks, peculiarities	None
Education	6th Grade, Public School 45, New York City
Parents	Father, ANTHONY; Mother, DOROTHY, deceased; Stepmother, BETTY; No address furnished

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Marital Status	Married, wife RONI FIGUERSON RAMISTELLA
Residence	878 East 180th Street Bronx, New York (1957); 775 Garden Street, Bronx, New York (1956)
Occupation	Exercise Boy
Employer	EDWARD NELOY; Belmont Park, New York City, 1956; Unemployed, 1957
Social Security Number	
Service Record	None

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The record discloses RAMISTELLA was arrested July 12, 1957, for the theft of food stuffs valued at \$7.00 and October 1, 1956, on a charge of possession of marijuana. On the petit larceny charge, July 12, 1957, he was found not guilty and dismissed; on the narcotics violation he pleaded guilty and received a sixty day sentence which was suspended.

Detectives JAMES T. BEIRNE, R. HENNIG, T. FERRANDIZ, W. WESTON, P. SEYMOUR and W. SPAHR, Fifth Precinct, Nassau County Police, all advised August 16, 1968, they had known RAMISTELLA in 1956 - 1957, but had no subsequent knowledge of his activities or whereabouts.

Lieutenant KAPLUN furnished a copy of a photograph of RAMISTELLA taken July 12, 1957.

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BS 44-646

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AT PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

The following investigation was conducted by
SA THOMAS J. LARDNER:

On August 16, 1968, Patrolman HERBERT MYCROFT, Identification Division, Providence, Rhode Island Police Department, advised from records that HENRY R. RAMISTELLA, of 878 180th Street, Bronx, New York, was arrested by this Police Department, on July 24, 1957, and charged with violation of the banking laws.

On July 26, 1957, the charge was reduced to false pretenses and RAMISTELLA was placed on probation.

Patrolman MYCROFT advised that it appeared from the records that RAMISTELLA was arrested along with JACKSON DURANT, RICHARD S. MC NABB, of 32 Saint Alfonsus Street, Roxbury, Massachusetts, and RONALD X. CHIAVERINI, of 37 Ring Street, Providence, Rhode Island, on a charge of being suspicious persons, and the latter three being released and RAMISTELLA being held for violation of the banking laws.

A stand-up photograph was taken of the four individuals which Patrolman MYCROFT made available.

He also made available a mug shot of RAMISTELLA.

RAMISTELLA is described as follows, according to the police record:

Name: HENRY R. RAMISTELLA

Race: White

Sex: Male

Providence
Police Department
Number: [REDACTED]

Federal Bureau of
Investigation Number: [REDACTED]

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Date of Birth:	
Place of Birth:	Bronx, New York
Height:	5 feet 7 inches
Weight:	120 pounds
Build:	Slender
Hair:	Blond
Eyes:	Hazel
Occupation:	Exercise Boy
Complexion:	Medium

Patrolman MYCROFT advised that DURANT died on June 20, 1958, from an overdose of narcotics.

The police records also reflect that CHIAVERINI and MC NABB were never subsequently arrested by the Providence, Rhode Island Police Department.

Patrolman MYCROFT also advised that this department has no subsequent contact with RAMISTELLA.

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The following investigation was conducted by
Special Agent THOMAS J. LARDNER:

On September 3, 1968, Mr. NICANDRO PIROLLO, 69 Fillmore Street, Providence, Rhode Island, advised that he has resided at this address for the last two years. He advised that the name of RAMISTELLA is totally unfamiliar to him as being a former name of a resident at this address. He advised that at least during the tenure of his residence no individual bearing that name was a resident in this area.

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AT BRONX, NEW YORK.

The following investigation was conducted on September 19, 1968 in the Bronx, New York, by SA FRANCIS L. CASHIN:

Mrs. BERGMAN, A and S Furniture Store, 878 East 180th Street, stated that she has been at this address for five or six years and knows no family by the name of RAMISTELLA. She stated that there is a frequent turn-over of residents at 878 East 180th Street and she knows no one who was living here in 1957.

IRA LEEMAN, Attorney, 850 East 180th Street, stated that 878 East 180th Street, was owned by him for forty years up until a few months ago. He reviewed his records and has no record of a RAMISTELLA family at 878 East 180th Street. He does not recall an occupant by that name.

Mr. LOUIS J. REILLY, 775 Garden Street, Bronx, New York, stated that he does not know of RAMISTELLA and knows of no one at this address who would as there is a frequent turn-over of occupants at 775 Garden Street.

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Date 8/2/681

DESI ARNAZ, temporarily residing at 1920 Ocean Front, Del Mar, California, was shown a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN. He stated that he had no information or knowledge concerning SIRHAN.

On 7/19/68 at Del Mar, California File # SD 44-394
by SA JOHN W. JONES and
SA ROBERT E. THORNTON/vlh Date dictated 7/26/68

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1Date 7/17/68

TIMOTHY MC INTIRE, 648 North Wilson Street,
Pasadena, furnished the following information:

He first met SIRHAN SIRHAN approximately seven or eight years ago when they both attended the First Baptist Church on Marengo Street in Pasadena. At that time, both MC INTIRE and SIRHAN were of high school age, and their activities together were limited to meeting at church or church functions.

MC INTIRE has not seen or talked with SIRHAN SIRHAN in over four years, and he could not provide the names of any friends or acquaintances SIRHAN SIRHAN might have had.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 8/12/68

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FRANCISCO TAPIA, age 70, is a native of Bolivia and a citizen of the United States. He lived at 691 East Howard Street, Pasadena, until approximately eight months ago when he exchanged his house with that of his son who needed larger quarters. He is retired and devotes himself to Bible study and religious activity.

Mr. TAPIA met and talked with SIRHAN SIRHAN several times during the time he lived opposite the SIRHAN family. He found them to be a decent family and he particularly liked the mother who seemed to be a very fine, hard working woman who was very interested in the welfare of her family. On one occasion (he does not remember the time) he was interviewed by the Pasadena Police Department regarding MUNIR SIRHAN who had become involved with the police on a narcotics matter. Mr. TAPIA said he told the investigating officers that he knew of no derogatory information concerning MUNIR or any members of the SIRHAN family.

With regard to SIRHAN SIRHAN, Mr. TAPIA said his relationship was casual and pleasant. He spoke to him only as SIRHAN would leave the house or return and SIRHAN seemed totally absorbed in horses and becoming a jockey.

Mr. TAPIA said he had one serious conversation with SIRHAN, and it had to do with religion and one's obligation to God. At this time, SIRHAN claimed that he understood the difference between good and evil acts, but felt that there were large areas in between which were so called indifferent acts and he, SIRHAN, thought that many of these acts were good or bad depending on the end results. For example, he said SIRHAN brought up the matter of wealth and poverty. He said he felt it was not wrong to take from the rich (i.e. steal) if one intended to benefit the poor. TAPIA countered this by saying "no", it is good and necessary perhaps for the rich to give of their surplus to the poor, but the poor were not entitled to steal on this basis. SIRHAN said he did not feel this way.

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Mr. TAPIA said he never discussed Judaism with SIRHAN because he knew he was anti-Jewish. The whole SIRHAN family was embittered over the results of the Arab-Israeli war.

Mr. TAPIA said that based on his observations, he never would have guessed that SIRHAN harbored "murderous" thoughts and intentions. He felt that SIRHAN was confused in his moral understanding and probably more than a little influenced by communist philosophy.

Mr. TAPIA said he was not aware that SIRHAN SIRHAN had listed him as a personal reference with the Pasadena Public Library, but this was entirely possible. Mr. TAPIA said he was astonished to learn that SIRHAN had shot and killed Senator ROBERT KENNEDY and he had no explanation for SIRHAN's motives.

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JOSEPH MARCOVECCHIO, a student at California State College at Los Angeles, was contacted at his home, 438 North Carmelo Avenue, Pasadena, California, regarding his knowledge of SIRHAN SIRHAN. MARCOVECCHIO is the son of HERBERT and LIVIA MARCOVECCHIO and is a citizen of the United States by naturalization.

MARCOVECCHIO said he met SIRHAN SIRHAN for the first time in 1966 at a billiard parlor on Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, California. It was a chance meeting and they talked briefly. Some time later the same year, MARCOVECCHIO met SIRHAN SIRHAN again, this time in the company of a close friend of his named IVAN GARCIA. MARCOVECCHIO said IVAN knew SIRHAN quite well but he, himself, met SIRHAN perhaps three or four times over the period of 1966-1968. He said he last saw SIRHAN in a bar near Allen Street in Pasadena. IVAN GARCIA was also present. This was about two months prior to the killing of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY. SIRHAN was very exuberant, having just obtained a \$2,000.00 cash settlement from an insurance company for an injury claim.

MARCOVECCHIO said he really knew SIRHAN very casually and never talked with him in any depth. He said SIRHAN liked to talk about horses and his own ambitions to become a jockey. SIRHAN did not have a girl friend but he was interested in girls, although MARCOVECCHIO never saw him with a girl. SIRHAN did not own a car to MARCOVECCHIO's knowledge, and he did not know where SIRHAN had worked other than at the race track. MARCOVECCHIO said he never met any other member of the SIRHAN family and never visited the SIRHAN home, although he knew SIRHAN lived on Howard Street, in Pasadena.

MARCOVECCHIO said he did not know SIRHAN at Pasadena City College but met him through IVAN GARCIA as mentioned above. MARCOVECCHIO said he attended Pasadena City College in 1964.

MARCOVECCHIO described SIRHAN as being an unusual

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person in the young people's world. He was very polite, very proper and very courteous and on one occasion, when there were some girls around (MARCOVECCHIO does not remember the date), he was very exaggerated in his manners. MARCOVECCHIO said he was astounded to learn that SIRHAN could have resorted to violence since he never exhibited such tendencies. MARCOVECCHIO said in his judgement, based on his limited contact with SIRHAN, he did not consider him the type to commit an act of murder or violence of any kind.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 9/19/68

RAYMOND MEW, age 27, 10771 Magnolia Avenue, Anaheim, California, furnished the following information:

He is the son of SANG MEW, the owner of Sang's Inn, Pasadena, California, and he was employed by his father at the restaurant from 1955 through 1963. He also attended Pasadena City College (PCC) during 1959, 1960, and 1961.

While a student at PCC, RAYMOND MEW never met SIRHAN SIRHAN, and to his knowledge, SIRHAN SIRHAN never visited his father's restaurant on Colorado Boulevard.

He does not believe that either of his brothers, VICTOR or DOUGLAS, are acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN.

On 9/17/68 at Anaheim, California File # Los Angeles 56-156
by SA JOHN M. CALLAGHAN/sjs Date dictated 9/18/68
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1Date 9/19/68

SANG MEW, 320 South Michigan Avenue, South Pasadena, California, furnished the following information:

He is the owner and operator of Sang's Inn, Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena. He is not acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN, and to his knowledge SIRHAN SIRHAN never visited the restaurant he operates.

To Mr. MEW's knowledge, none of his sons, RAYMOND, VICTOR, or DOUGLAS, were acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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1Date 9/18/68

VICTOR MEW, age 23, 320 South Michigan Avenue, Pasadena, California, furnished the following information:

He is the son of Mr. SANG MEW, the owner and operator of SANG's Inn, Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, and he worked in the restaurant for his father from the age of eleven through twenty-one. He was attending Pasadena City College during 1961 - 1962.

VICTOR MEW stated that he is not acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN and during his many years at the restaurant and his two years at Pasadena City College he never met SIRHAN SIRHAN. To his knowledge, neither of his brothers, RAYMOND, age 27, or DOUGLAS, age 21, had ever met SIRHAN SIRHAN or brought SIRHAN SIRHAN to SANG's Inn.

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by SA JOHN M. CALLAHAN/mab Date dictated 9/17/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/14/68

On June 6, 1968, FRANK CROSBY, Executive Director, Illinois Bureau of Race Track Police, 160 North LaSalle Street, advised that this office maintains records of all current and past employees at the Chicago area race tracks. These records would include all those individuals who have worked for horse owners such as exercise boys. He stated that he could locate no record for SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN under his true name or alias.

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On 6/6/68 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 89-61
by SA EDWARD KINZER, Jr./mam Date dictated 6/12/68

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JRR:mam

Mrs. DOLORES COFFEY, Clerk, Chicago Credit Bureau, Incorporated, advised IC JACK RAY RIDENHOUR on June 6, 1968, that a search of her records failed to reflect any record identifiable with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, also known as SHIRHAN BISHARA SHIRHAN, date of birth, [REDACTED], Jerusalem, Jordan, or the family.

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Personnel of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, advised IC RIDENHOUR on June 6, 1968, that their records reflect nothing identifiable with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, also known as SHIRHAN BISHARA SHIRHAN or the family.

It should be noted that this is based on available police records only.

Mrs. BONNIE DAVIS, Clerk, Cook County Credit Bureau, 218 South Wabash, advised IC RIDENHOUR on June 6, 1968, that a search of their records reflect nothing identifiable with subject, and subject's mother and brothers.

Mrs. BARBARA KENNER, Clerk, Immigration and Naturalization Service, 219 South Dearborn, Chicago, advised IC RIDENHOUR she could locate no record of SIRHAN or his family.

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GHB:mam

On June 6, 1968, the following sources of information were contacted in Joliet, Illinois by SA GEORGE H. BENIGNI and no record was located for the subject:

Bureau of Criminal Investigation and Identification,
FAYE SMITH;

Joliet Police Department, Miss SHARON COX;

Will County Sheriff's Office, Mrs. MILDRED PURDY;

Credit Bureau of Will County, Incorporated, Miss KATHY
TURNER.

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NEB:mam

The following individuals were contacted by SA GIRARD M. ANNINO on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts were negative regarding the subject.

Chief DONALD DENING, Winnetka, Illinois Police Department;

Chief HAROLD GIDDENS, Evanston, Illinois Police Department;

Chief ARTHUR PANTLE, Glencoe, Illinois Police Department.

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NEB:mam

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOSEPH B. GRAFF at Waukegan and Woodstock, Illinois on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts re subject were negative.

JAMES HARRIS, Manager, Credit Bureau of Waukegan - North Chicago, 405½ Washington Street, Waukegan, covering Lake County, Illinois;

Lieutenant JAMES REPP, Chief Deputy, Lake County Sheriff's Office, Waukegan;

Officer ROBERT SODERQUIST, Identification Officer, Waukegan Police Department;

POLLY HOBGET, Manager, Credit Bureau of McHenry County, Woodstock;

JOHN CARROLL, Sheriff, McHenry County, Woodstock;

Chief of Police HERBERT W. LANGE (NA), Woodstock Police Department.

On June 6, 1968, SA JEROME F. NOLAN contacted the following individuals who advised their records contained no information regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN:

KATHY SHARP, Clerk, Rockford Police Department;

BILL BRCHENY, Deputy, Winnebago County Sheriff's Office;

Mrs. VIOLET NORD, Rockford Credit Bureau.

The following individuals were contacted by SA ROBERT C. ROBINSON on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts were negative re subject.

FRANKIE DIXON, Credit Bureau of Aurora, Aurora, Illinois;

RITA ORTA, Bureau of Identification, Aurora Police Department;

Chief Deputy LOU SPUHLER, Kane County Sheriff's Office;

RUTH COLLINS, Record Section, Elgin, Illinois Police Department;

BESS DIETRICH, Elgin Credit Bureau

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NEB:mam

The following individuals were contacted on June 6, 1968, by SA DAVID R. STRUCK, all with negative results:

ROY OUMSTED, DuPage Sheriff's Office, Wheaton, Illinois

MARY WACKENHUT, Downers Grove, Illinois Police Department;

WALLY BLAIR, Elmhurst, Illinois Police Department;

WYNN ZOLIN, DuPage Credit Bureau - Wheaton, Illinois.

The following individuals were contacted on June 6, 1968, by SA JAMES W. GERBLICK with negative results regarding the subject:

Mrs. MARY THEODORE, Western Cook County Credit Bureau, Oak Park, Illinois;

Chief BERNER KELLOUGH, Maywood, Illinois Police Department.

The following individuals were contacted on June 6, 1968, by SA HARRY A. WALKER. All listed contacts regarding subject were negative.

Chief ARTHUR HINTZ, DesPlaines, Illinois Police Department;

Chief GLENN FORD, Northbrook, Illinois Police Department;

Chief WILLIAM BARTLETT, Glenview, Illinois Police Department;

Chief HARRY EIGER, Park Ridge, Illinois Police Department.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA KENNETH L. GROEPER on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts were negative regarding subject.

Mrs. MILDRED WORTHY, Credit Bureau, Chicago Heights;

STANLEY SLACK, Credit Bureau, Southern Cook County.

These cover all cities in Chicago Heights Resident Agency.

Lt. JOSEPH CORSINO, Chicago Heights Police Department;

LEROY KNAPP, Chief, Harvey Police Department;

RON DORSEY, Calumet City Police Department;

Capt. THOMAS BROWN, Cook County Sheriff's Office, Bedford Park, Illinois;

Captain CLYDE VASCANELLOS, Illinois State Police, Blue Island, Illinois

The following individuals were contacted by SA ROBERT F. PEVAHOUSE on June 6, 1968. All listed contacts were negative regarding the subject.

Lt. MAURICE ENGLISH, Arlington Heights, Illinois Police Department;

Detective WALTER SCHOENFELD, Palatine, Illinois Police Department;

Sgt. JOE BOPP, Mt. Prospect, Illinois Police Department;

EDWIN KUNZE, Credit Bureau of Palatine, Incorporated.

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The following investigation was conducted on June 5, 1968, by SA DAVID R. STRUCK:

The following individuals advised they were unable to locate any record identifiable with SIRHAN BISHARA SHIRHAN:

Sergeant ROBERT RYAN
Elmhurst, Illinois Police Department

MARY WACKENHUT, Dispatcher
Downers Grove, Illinois Police Department

Captain DAN MITCHELL
DuPage County Sheriff's Office'
Wheaton, Illinois

The following investigation was conducted at Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, Illinois, on June 6, 1968, by SA DAVID R. STRUCK:

WILLIAM SHAW, Security Department, made available the Argonne Personnel File concerning ABBAS OTHMAN JIBRIL. A review of this file reflected the following information:

Male
Born [REDACTED], Yazur-Jafee, Palestine
5'7"
160 pounds
Wife - CAROLINE B.
SSN [REDACTED]
Address: 429 Wellington Avenue
Chicago, Illinois
Naturalized citizen: [REDACTED]
Education: B. S. in Chemistry
Beirut, Lebanon - 1951
Masters in Organic Chemistry
Loyola University, Chicago - 1956
Ph. D in Philosophy (Chemistry)
University of Oklahoma -1964

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Prior employments: University of Illinois, 1954 - 1955;
E. C. De Witt, Chicago, 1956 - 1959;
Mt. Sinai Research, Chicago, 1959 - 1961;
VA Research Hospital and North
Western University, Chicago, 1961 - 1962;
Oklahoma Medical Foundation, 1962 - 1964

Brother: ABDEL KIRIM O. JIBRIL
705 North Austin
Chicago, Illinois

JIBRIL was employed at Argonne from July 21, 1964, until January 31, 1966, in a temporary research assistant's position, following his receipt of a doctoral degree. When he resigned, his exit interview indicated he was a loner, his research was impeded by personal biases against some of his fellow employees and he is very suspicious about others.

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CREDIT AND POLICE RECORDS

The following investigation was conducted by SA
DAVID PAUL JOHNSON:

On June 5, 1968, records of the Richmond Police
Department, Richmond, California, were negative concerning
any person by the name SIRHAN or SHIRHAN.

On June 6, 1968, records of the following agencies
were negative concerning the above name:

Police Department (PD), El Cerrito, California

PD, San Pablo, California

PD, Pinole, California

Credit Bureau, Richmond, California, which covers
all of the above cities

The telephone and city directories for the Richmond
Resident Agency area were negative concerning above name.

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INVESTIGATION ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE
BANK ACCOUNTS IN LOS ANGELES AREA
FOR SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

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Results of interview on August 12, 1968, of MARY SIRHAN, mother of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, are set out elsewhere in this report. During this interview she advised that SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN had a savings account at the Lake-Washington Office of the United States National Bank, 1255 North Lake Street, Pasadena, California. Mrs. SIRHAN exhibited the passbook for this account, number [REDACTED], which indicated the account was opened on March 18, 1960, with a \$10 deposit. The only other deposit to this account was on May 28, 1960, in the amount of \$8. The account was closed on January 31, 1964, at which time the balance was \$20.30 from the accumulated interest.

Mrs. SIRHAN advised that to her knowledge, this is the only bank account that her son, SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, ever had. She stated he preferred to keep all of his money on his person, and she doubted very seriously if he ever had another bank account.

It was determined on August 23, 1968, that all of the branches of the Bank of America in the Los Angeles area had been checked with negative results in connection with any account ever having been maintained in the name of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

The above information can be made available only upon the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum addressed to DAVID GRAY, Inspection Department, Main Office, Bank of America, Los Angeles.

It was determined on August 5, 1968, that all of the branches of the Crocker-Citizens National Bank in the Los Angeles area had been checked with negative results in connection with any account ever having been maintained in the name of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

The above information can be made available only upon the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum addressed to R. D. BOSWORTH, Auditor, Southern Division, Crocker-Citizens National Bank, Los Angeles.

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It was determined on August 15, 1968, that all of the branches of the Security Pacific National Bank in the Los Angeles area had been checked with negative results in connection with any account ever having been maintained in the name of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

The above information can be made available only upon the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum addressed to ROBERT CRIMI, Assistant Auditor, Head Office, Security Pacific National Bank, Los Angeles.

It was determined on August 19, 1968, that all of the branches of the First Western Bank and Trust Company in the Los Angeles area had been checked with negative results in connection with any account ever having been maintained in the name of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

The above information can be made available only upon the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum addressed to THOMAS GAFFNEY, Vice-President and Auditor, First Western Bank and Trust Company, Los Angeles.

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INTERVIEWS OF INDIVIDUALS AT SAN
GABRIEL VALLEY GUN CLUB, DUARTE,
CALIFORNIA, JUNE 4, 1968

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It was previously reported that two individuals, who had been target shooting at the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, Duarte, California, on June 4, 1968, had identified SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN as also target shooting at the Gun Club that date.

Results of interviews of some of the persons present at the Gun Club on June 4, 1968, have previously been reported. Following are results of interviews of additional persons also present at Gun Club on June 4, 1968:

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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CHARLES ALTANBACH, 4828 Shelly Place, Eagle Rock, California, advised that on June 4, 1968, he went to the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, 4001 Fish Canyon Road, Duarte, California, to do some target shooting.

ALTANBACH advised that the only person he recalled seeing at the range was his friend, GROVE MC CHESNEY. He stated that because he is over 75 years of age, he has a very poor memory and was unable to furnish any other information relative to occurrences at the range on that particular day.

On 9/16/68 at Eagle Rock, California File # Los Angeles 56-156
by SA GEORGE M. KLING/lav Date dictated 9/17/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 9/26/68

CORLISS HELEN EDWARDS, 735 Donnabeth Street, West Covina, California, was interviewed at her residence and provided the following information:

On June 4, 1968, she and her boyfriend, GEORGE MIOCH, 14043 East Olive, Baldwin Park, California, went to the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, 4001 Fish Canyon Road, Duarte California. She stated that they were accompanied by her son, ROBERT EDWARDS, and MIOCH's daughter, MARA MIOCH, and drove to the range in MIOCH's 1963 silver blue, Lincoln convertible with a black top.

She stated that they went to the rifle range initially after arriving at the club at approximately 11 a.m. After firing a .22 caliber rifle on the rifle range for approximately one hour, they went to the pistol range in order to fire her .38 caliber Mauser automatic.

She said she recalled they occupied a position close to the middle of the firing positions along the line. She stated a short distance away they noticed a small dark-complexioned individual with dark wavy hair firing a small gun at a target set up a short distance in front of him. At this time photographs were shown to EDWARDS and she picked out a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, Los Angeles Police Department Number [REDACTED], as being identical to the individual whom she saw and described as being at the range. EDWARDS said that she recalled SIRHAN was firing very rapidly during the time that they were on the range.

EDWARDS stated that prior to going to the pistol range she and MIOCH had engaged in a conversation about her automatic, and she recalled MIOCH saying something to the effect that she had better learn how to shoot the gun that day.

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by SA GEORGE M. KLING/dp - 177 - Date dictated 9/19/68

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EDWARDS stated that when she went to the range she was wearing purple capris and a purple velour top with a white turtle neck blouse underneath, white tennis shoes and a blond medium length wig, which she frequently wears. EDWARDS stated that to the best of her knowledge this was all the information she could provide in this matter.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/26/68

GEORGE STEPHEN MIOCH, 14043 East Olive, Baldwin Park, California, was interviewed at the residence of CORLISS EDWARDS, 735 Donnabeth, West Covina, California. MIOCH advised that on June 4, 1968, he and his girl friend, CORLISS EDWARDS, went to the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club, 4001 Fish Canyon Road, Duarte, California. He stated that they were accompanied by his daughter, MARA MIOCH, and EDWARDS' son, ROBERT EDWARDS. He stated that they arrived at the gun club at approximately 11 a.m. They first went to the rifle range and fired a .22 caliber rifle and then went to the pistol range, which is adjacent to the rifle range at approximately 12:15 p.m. He stated they had a .38 caliber Mauser automatic belonging to EDWARDS, which they wanted to fire on the pistol range. He stated that to the best of his knowledge they were shooting around gun position No. 13. He stated that they noticed an individual firing at a gun position approximately ten to twenty feet from theirs. MIOCH stated that he would describe this individual as being of a small build, possibly of foreign extraction with dark hair and firing a very small handgun. He stated at one time, during the course of the time that they spent on the pistol range, he remembered another individual coming close to the previously described individual and asking him if he would move his car. MIOCH stated that he did not notice what kind of a car this individual had in the parking lot. He stated that this was the only conversation that he recalled the previously described individual having during the time that MIOCH's party was at the pistol range. At this time, MIOCH was shown a number of photographs including one of SIRHAN SIRHAN, Los Angeles Police Department Number [REDACTED]. MIOCH picked out a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN, Los Angeles Police Department Number [REDACTED], as being identical to the individual whom he had seen on the pistol range at the San Gabriel Valley Gun Club. MIOCH further advised that one thing that attracted them to notice SIRHAN was the fact that he was shooting very rapidly and shooting at a target that appeared to be a very short distance from him.

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MIOCH advised that prior to actually going to the pistol range, he and EDWARDS engaged in a discussion close to the range master's booth relative to the firing of the Mauser automatic. He stated that he made a comment to EDWARDS to the effect that she had better learn how to shoot that gun before tonight. MIOCH stated that he made this comment because he felt that EDWARDS needed to know how to shoot the gun for her own protection. He stated that he recalled that he made this statement in a rather harsh tone of voice.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ALLEGED
STATEMENT MADE BY SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN
IN GOLDEN GARTER BAR, ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA
IN LATE MAY 1968 - "WE WILL WAIT TILL HE
GETS INTO TOWN AND THEN WE WILL GET HIM"

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It was previously reported by ANDREW MARTIGANI, co-owner of the Golden Garter Bar, 2605 West Valley Boulevard, Alhambra, California, that in late May, 1968, an individual, he believed to be SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, was in the bar and was overheard making statement, "We will wait till he gets into town and then we will get him". Following is additional investigation in this matter:

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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8/15/68

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STEVE STUART, 12025 East Broadway, Whittier, California, was reinterviewed and advised as follows concerning an individual with whom he shot pool at the Golden Garter Bar, Alhambra, California, on one occasion in May, 1968:

When he observed a picture of SIRHAN SIRHAN on a news telecast shortly after Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was shot, he thought SIRHAN resembled someone he had seen. On the same day shortly after he observed the telecast, one of the MARTIGANI brothers (he is unable to recall which brother) phoned him to tell him that SIRHAN had been in their bar, the Golden Garter.

STUART later observed a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN in a newspaper. At that time, which was after one of the MARTIGANI brothers called him, he believed that SIRHAN SIRHAN may have been the individual with whom he shot pool at the Golden Garter Bar. After thinking about this matter and the statement made by the MARTIGANI brother that SIRHAN SIRHAN had been in the bar, STUART says that the individual with whom he shot pool resembled SIRHAN SIRHAN in appearance. He said he only saw that individual in the bar once. At that time the man was alone and during the game of pool they had very little conversation.

STUART stated he normally frequented the bar after 6:00 p.m. After observing a photograph of ROBERT ANDRESE, he said he could not recall having seen ANDRESE in the Golden Garter Bar or at another location.

He said in his opinion this matter concerning the possibility that SIRHAN SIRHAN had been in the Golden Garter Bar was "created by the MARTIGANI brothers who desire attention;" also that the "MARTIGANI brothers are pathological liars."

STUART said he had no factual information concerning SIRHAN SIRHAN or any associates at the Golden Garter Bar.

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by SA EWING G. LAYHEW:fet Date dictated 8/15/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 6/14/68

Detective DON TRUMBLE, Alhambra Police Department was interviewed and furnished the following information:

Detective TRUMBLE advised that he had seen an individual he believed to be SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN at the Golden Garter Bar on at least one occasion during May, 1968.

At the time of this interview, a photograph of ROBERT RICHARD ANDRESE was exhibited to Detective TRUMBLE and also ANDRESE was physically present. After viewing ANDRESE and his photograph, Detective TRUMBLE advised that this was not the individual he had observed in the Golden Garter Bar, Alhambra during May, 1968 as indicated above. He also stated that to the best of his knowledge, he had never seen ANDRESE before.

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by SAs DOUGLAS R. LUND & EWING G. LAYHEW /mjg Date dictated 6/14/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/18/681

WILLIAM T. WOODBURN, 12719 Ledford Street, Baldwin Park, California, was interviewed at his place of employment, Royal Industries Incorporated, 1035 Westminister, Alhambra, California, at which time he furnished the following information:

WOODBURN is called "WALKING BILL" by numerous of his acquaintances and periodically frequented the Golden Garter Bar, West Valley Boulevard, Alhambra, California, prior to the death of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

At the Golden Garter Bar, WOODBURN has played pool on occasion with an individual whose facial features somewhat resemble those of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, but who is definitely not identical to SIRHAN.

A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was displayed to WOODBURN and he stated positively that he is not identical to the man he played pool with at the Golden Garter Bar, and that he has never seen SIRHAN before.

A photograph of ROBERT RICHARD ANDRESE was displayed to WOODBURN and he advised that this photograph is identical to the person he played pool with at the Golden Garter Bar in Alhambra.

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by SA RICHARD M. FOX and
SA JOSEPH A. KRAHLING/r1 Date dictated 6/18/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/19/681

On June 18, 1968, KATHY VENNE, 1145 South Chapel Avenue, Alhambra, was interviewed and furnished the following information:

VENNE advised that she is a barmaid by profession and her last employment was the Red Jax Bar, 39 West Main Street, Alhambra. Further, that on a temporary basis for one or two nights she worked at the Golden Garter Bar, West Valley Boulevard, Alhambra.

During the course of interview, photographs of ROBERT RICHARD ANDRESE were exhibited to VENNE. She stated, that she had never seen this individual.

Photographs were also exhibited to VENNE of JAMES LLOYD WILSON. She stated that she likewise had never seen this individual and was certain that she had not been introduced to him at the Golden Garter Bar.

Photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN were exhibited to KATHY VENNE and she advised that she had never seen this individual in person, but had seen his photograph in the newspapers numerous times since the death of Senator KENNEDY.

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by SA DOUGLAS RAY LUND and J. MARTELL BIRD/mjg - 186 - Date dictated 6/19/68

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ALLEGATION
THAT SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN WAS AT
DAVE'S COFFEE SHOP, ALHAMBRA,
CALIFORNIA, ON JUNE 4, 1968

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

9/13/68

It was previously reported that SIRHAN ^{Date} had been a customer at Dave's Coffee Shop, 2 East Main Street, Alhambra. A neighborhood investigation was conducted in that vicinity to determine if SIRHAN had been seen by other people in that locality. The following people were contacted, all with negative results:

Dr. BARRY BLEEK,
1 East Main Street,
Alhambra, California

CHARLES HILL
Hill's Hearing Aids
12 Garfield
Alhambra, California

F. D. TITUS
Titus Pharmacy
24 Garfield
Alhambra, California

R. A. ROWAN
Real Estate
2 West Main Street
Alhambra, California

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by SAs CHARLES W. BADGLEY and - 188 -
GEORGE M. KLING/GMK/mdm 9/11/68
by _____ Date dictated _____

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9/13/68

DAVID PHILLIPPS, Owner, Dave's Coffee Shop, 2 East Main Street, Alhambra, California, provided the following information:

PHILLIPPS was shown a photograph of the SIRHAN family. PHILLIPPS stated that the photograph of MUNIR SIRHAN looked very much like the individual whom he had seen with SIRHAN SIRHAN in his place of business prior to the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. PHILLIPPS stated that he could not make a positive identification in this matter, but the photograph of MUNIR bears a strong resemblance to the individual as he recalls him.

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by SAs CHARLES W. BADGLEY and - 189 -
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

9/13/68

LENORA HOSTETTER, Waitress, Dave's Coffee Shop,
2 East Main Street, Alhambra, provided the following
information:

Upon being shown a photograph of the SIRHAN family, HOSTETTER advised that the photograph of SHARIF SIRHAN and MUNIR SIRHAN both looked familiar to her as being possibly the individual whom she had seen with SIRHAN SIRHAN in the coffee shop. HOSTETTER stated that the facial characteristics of MUNIR looked familiar, but she did not recall the individual who was with SIRHAN as wearing glasses. For this reason, she felt that SHARIF might possibly be the individual. HOSTETTER stated that she could not be positive regarding these identifications, but these were her feelings as best she can recall.

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SAs CHARLES W. BADGLEY and - 190 -
GEORGE M. KLING/GMK/mdm Date dictated 9/11/68
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INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGATION
THAT SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN WAS A
STEADY CUSTOMER OF FILM DEPARTMENT
AT LUCKY DISCOUNT STORE,
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 7/ /68

MARGARET SCOTT, 14341 Haywood, telephonically advised that she was formerly employed at the Lucky Discount Store, 488 East Villa Street, Pasadena, California, in the Jewelry Department. She explained that the Jewelry Department also had a film processing service and that SIRHAN SIRHAN was a steady customer. She stated that he spent an average of \$10.00 to \$12.00 a week on films and processing and owned a very expensive camera.

Mrs. SCOTT stated that SIRHAN SIRHAN was particularly noticed by her and some of the other employees of the Jewelry Department, because of his personality. She stated that he would be very indignant if his films were not ready or if there was any problem with the way they were processed. She continued that they had a part-time employee at the Jewelry Department named SERGE ETIENNE who was a student at Pasadena City College. She stated that SIRHAN SIRHAN was friendly with SERGE, and when he came in for his films, he would talk with SERGE. She stated that she did not know where SERGE resided but assumed he lived locally in the Pasadena area.

Mrs. SCOTT stated that she was furnishing this information to the FBI because she felt there was a possibility that some of SIRHAN's film may still be at the store and had not been picked up by him.

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by SA THOMAS J. BRIDGES/eb Date dictated 7/19/68

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8/2/68

Date _____

ROBERT MEDINA, Manager of the jewelry and photography counter at Lucky Discount Store, 488 East Villa, advised that he has been manager of this counter since July 11, 1968. MEDINA checked his records of all film processed from his counter in 1968, without locating any record of any film ever having been deposited there by anyone named SIRHAN.

MEDINA further advised that he did not know anyone named SERGE ETIENNE who had ever been employed at the Lucky Discount Store in Pasadena, but that HENRY A. ETIENNE, 1072 North Lake Street, Pasadena, had formerly operated the concession at Lucky Discount Store. MEDINA advised that ETIENNE was a watchmaker and possibly SERGE ETIENNE was related to him.

MEDINA observed photographs of members of the SIRHAN family, including SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, and stated that he did not recall having ever seen any of them previously.

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by SA JOSEPH DOYLE POWELL/jr Date dictated 8/2/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 8/5/68

HENRY A. ETIENNE, 1072 North Lake Street, advised that he had operated the jewelry and photography counter at Lucky Discount Store, 488 East Villa, Pasadena, prior to May 1968. He advised that SERGE ETIENNE was his son, and that SERGE had also worked part-time at the counter for a few weeks after ETIENNE gave up the concession. ETIENNE was unable to recall anyone named SIRHAN as a customer of the counter. He stated that he knew very few names of his customers, but if there had been a customer who had a volume of photography business in the range of \$10 to \$12 per week, his name would at least be familiar.

ETIENNE observed photographs of members of the SIRHAN family, including SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, and stated that he did not recall having ever seen any of them previously.

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by SA JOSEPH DOYLE POWELL/jr Date dictated 8/5/68

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ALLEGED PURCHASES
OF AMMUNITION BY SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN
AT LOCK, STOCK 'N BARREL GUN SHOP,
SAN GABRIEL, CALIFORNIA

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It was previously reported that when interviewed on June 16, 1968, LARRY KENNETH ARNOT, Salesman for the Lock, Stock 'N Barrel Gun Shop, had advised that an individual, who he identified as SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, purchased ammunition at the gun shop on June 1, 1968. At that time SIRHAN was reportedly accompanied by two other individuals, one resembling SHARIF SIRHAN.

A polygraph examination was afforded ARNOT on August 5, 1968, at the Scientific Investigation Division, Los Angeles Police Department, by Lieutenant E. HERNANDEZ. A copy of the results of this polygraph examination was furnished SA R. J. LA JEUNESSE, JR., on August 12, 1968, by Detective Sergeant MIKE NIELSEN, S.U.S. Unit, Los Angeles Police Department.

The polygraph report is set out as follows:

INTRA-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

August 7, 1968

TO: Lt. Manual Pena, OIC Background Conspiracy Section S.U.S

FROM: Lt. E. Hernandez, Investigator Background Conspiracy Team

SUBJECT: Polygraph Examination of Mr. Larry Arnot

On August 5, 1968 a polygraph examination was administered to Mr. Larry Arnot, 517 Melcanyon Rd., Duarte, California, PH#358-8787.

The examination was administered by Lt. Hernandez in the polygraph facilities of Scientific Investigation Division Room 432A, Parker Center.

The purpose of this examination was to determine the truthfulness in Mr. Arnot's statements given to the F.B.I. on June 16, 1968. When he informed them that he had sold (4) four boxes of ammunition to suspect Sirhan Sirhan and two other dark foreign-looking Males who were present with Sirhan at the time of the ammunition purchase on June 1, 1968.

On that day, June 16, 1968, F.B.I. Agents Bruce Bradford and Norbert Linker showed Arnot (5) five photographs of Sirhan and his (4) four brothers. Arnot identified Sirhan as being the person that purchased the ammunition, and also selected a photograph of Shariff Sirhan, as "Bearing a strong resemblance to the individual that was present with him." Arnot said that he would be unable to identify the third person that was present in the store on that day.

Prior to instrumental testing on the polygraph, Arnot was questioned regarding the statement given by him to the F.B.I. on June 16, 1968. He maintained that his original story as given to the F.B.I. was true to the best of his recollection.

Arnot was shown a total of 17 look-alike photographs by Lt. Hernandez. These included four of the Sirhan brothers. Arnot looked over each of these photographs carefully and selected the following three photographs:

- (1) Photograph of Munir Sirhan
- (2) Photograph of look-alike - Bk No. 63481-1965
- (3) Photograph of another look-alike - Bk No. 102661-1966

After selecting Munir Sirhan's photograph, Arnot commented that he felt he had been brain-washed because he had observed Munir's photograph on a number of previous occasions and therefore he felt that this was influencing his opinion. As to the other two look-alike

photographs that he selected, Arnot stated that he believed he remembered the two people depicted on the photographs as being present with Sirhan on June 1, but was not positive.

The instrument and its functions were discussed with Mr. Arnot, as were the theory and procedures of the polygraph examination. He was given an opportunity to ask questions concerning any phase of the examination. The questions which were to be asked instrumentally were reviewed with Mr. Arnot before any instrumental testing began.

A polygraph was obtained prior to the examination, which established that patterns capable of interpretation could be obtained. Responses were provoked. This indicated that Mr. Arnot would be a proper subject for polygraph testing.

During the course of the examination, physiological tracings at points where crucial questions were asked suggest very strongly that Mr. Arnot was being untruthful. He was specifically asked if he honestly remembered seeing any person with Sirhan inside the Lock, Stock N' Barrel Gun Shop on June 1, 1968, and his responses at this salient point indicate that he does not remember seeing anyone with Sirhan on that day. Further, after carefully evaluating the examination charts, it is the opinion of this examiner that Larry Arnot does not in fact remember Sirhan or the business transaction that took place on June 1, 1968 when the ammunition was purchased by Sirhan.

Larry Arnot was informed of the results of the examination and the conclusions that were arrived.

After a short period of interrogation, Arnot ultimately admitted that the only logical explanation for his failing the test was because he had lied.

He explained that the truth was that he was confusing the sale of ammunition to three other dark complexion men, and in his mind he was trying to convince himself that this was the Sirhan incident. However, he said that he could truthfully remember Sirhan being in the store on June 1. He knows that he sold Sirhan the ammunition because of a sales receipt which he made out, but he just cannot remember Sirhan or the sale.

As to the two men that he had described as being with Sirhan, he stated that he had probably been misled by Mrs. Donna Harrick. She had told him that Sirhan and two other men had been in the store on a day previous to June 1. Therefore, he had assumed that these two men could have been with Sirhan on June 1.

Again Arnot was reminded that he had no sound basis to form this assumption, and he admitted that he did not.

Arnot requested that the previous reports as given to the F.B.I. be corrected. (Statements of Larry Arnot in file S.U.S Tape #29325)

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It was previously reported that when interviewed on June 16, 1968, Mrs. DONNA HERRICK, wife of BENJAMIN J. HERRICK, owners of Lock, Stock 'N Barrel Gun Shop, had advised that on or about April 3, 1968, she had observed SIRHAN SIRHAN in company with two males of foreign descent at her place of business. She further advised that SIRHAN had attempted to purchase some 357 Magnum Tank Piercing ammunition on April 3, 1968.

A polygraph examination was afforded Mrs. HERRICK on August 5, 1968, at the Scientific Investigation Division, Los Angeles Police Department, by Lieutenant E. HERNANDEZ. A copy of the results of this polygraph examination was furnished SA R. J. LA JEUNESSE, JR., on August 12, 1968, by Detective Sergeant MIKE NIELSEN, S.U.S. Unit, Los Angeles Police Department.

The polygraph report is set out as follows:

August 7, 1968

TO: Lt. Manual Pena
OIC Background Conspiracy Section S.U.S

FROM: Lt. E. Hernandez
Investigator, Background Conspiracy Team

SUBJECT: Polygraph Examination of Mrs. Donna Herrick
9436 Pentland, Temple City, Calif. Ph# AT 67877

Mrs. Herrick was administered a polygraph examination on August 6, 1968 at the Polygraph Facilities of Scientific Investigation Division.

Mrs. Herrick informed that she was the wife of Benjamin J. Herrick and that they owned the Lock, Stock N' Barrel Gun Shop at 8972 East Huntington Drive, San Gabriel, Calif.

The purpose of this examination was to determine if Donna Herrick had been truthful to agents of the F.B.I. when she told them that on or about April 3, 1968 she had observed Sirhan Sirhan in company of two Males of foreign decent at her place of business.

On that day, June 16, 1968, she informed the F.B.I. that she was positive Sirhan had attempted to purchase some 357 Magnum Tank Piercing ammunition, and she selected photographs of Adel and Munir Sirhan as bearing a strong resemblance to the men that were with Sirhan. Further, Herrick stated that she remembered Sirhan had such a heavy accent that she was unable to understand him. In fact, she asked her husband for assistance to help interpret what Sirhan was saying.

During the pre-test interview, Donna Herrick was questioned regarding the statement she had given to the F.B.I. on June 16, 1968, and she maintained that the statement was true.

Additional questions were asked relative to the date that she observed Sirhan (on or about April 3, 1968). She then modified her statement, and then changed it again ultimately saying that Sirhan could have been in the store during the week of March 27 or during the week of April 10, 1968. However, she definitely remembered Sirhan having a very heavy accent.

When Mrs. Herrick was informed that as a matter of fact, suspect Sirhan speaks English very well and has no trace of any accent what so ever, Mrs. Herrick stated "Well, maybe he was mumbling."

At this point of the pre-test interview, Mrs. Herrick was asked if she would voluntarily submit to a polygraph examination, she considered for a few moments and then agreed to take the test.

The instrument and its functions were discussed with Mrs. Herrick and she was explained the theory and the procedures that would be followed during the course of the examination.

Prior to instrumental testing, a polygraph was obtained to determine whether she was a proper subject and capable of producing patterns adequate for interpretation. Responses were provoked, which indicated that Mrs. Herrick was a proper subject.

During the course of the examination, physiological tracings at points where crucial key questions were asked, indicate quite strongly that Mrs. Herrick was being untruthful.

After the initial tests, two additional series of questions were asked and each of these contained questions relative to four key issues which had been previously asked and to which Mrs. Herrick had responded strongly with indications of deception.

- (1) Was there anything that Mrs. Herrick had told the polygraph examiner about Sirhan that was not true?
- (2) Did Mrs. Herrick honestly remember ever seeing Sirhan inside her store in person?
- (3) Did Sirhan ever try to buy ammunition from Mrs. Herrick in person?
- (4) Did Mrs. Herrick honestly believe that the person she had told the examiner about was not Sirhan?

Upon conclusion of the polygraph examination, Mrs. Herrick was informed that her responses clearly indicated that she was either mistaken or that she was deliberately being untruthful, but that she could not honestly say that she remembered seeing Sirhan or talking to him in person. Further, she was informed that her answers to the above questions were clearly indicative of deception. To this, Mrs. Herrick stated that she admitted she was confused, but she did believe Sirhan had been at her store, and again she was informed that the results of the polygraph examination did not show this. (Complete statement recorded in tapes #29328 & 29329. These tapes in file in S.U.S.)

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING PHOTOGRAPH
TAKEN OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY AND
OTHERS BEFORE KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION WHICH
MAY INCLUDE SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

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On July 31, 1968, HUGH J. MC DONALD, Assistant Press Secretary, Office of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, furnished a photograph taken by STEVE SCHAPIRO, Free Lance Photographer, in May, 1968, at the Los Angeles International Airport. This photograph shows KENNEDY shaking hands with an unidentified individual while another person, who resembles SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, is standing beside KENNEDY with his hand outstretched to shake hands with KENNEDY. WILLIAM BARRY of the KENNEDY staff appears on the other side of KENNEDY in the photograph.

The following investigation was conducted to determine if the individual in the photograph is SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN:

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STEVE SCHAPIRO, free lance photographer, 170 West 73rd Street, New York City, New York, phone 787-5087, who markets photographs through the Black Star Distributing Company at 450 Park Avenue South, New York City, New York, advised the following:

SCHAPIRO said that he had taken many pictures while traveling with the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party. He remembers these photographs had been furnished to the KENNEDY family. He marketed others through the Black Star Distributing Company.

SCHAPIRO, following the examination of the photograph obtained July 31, 1968, from HUGH J. MC DONALD, Assistant Press Secretary to the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, said it looked like one that he had taken. He said the photograph was taken at the Los Angeles International Airport sometime in March of 1968, shortly after Senator KENNEDY announced that he would run for the office of the President. KENNEDY was on a campaign tour which carried him to Kansas and then to California. He had chartered a plane and had gone to San Francisco and on the return trip to Los Angeles, they stopped at several cities in Central California. Upon arrival at the Los Angeles International Airport about midday or early afternoon, a large crowd, larger than expected, had gathered and as KENNEDY was walking through a narrow passageway leading into the main area of the terminal, the photograph was taken. SCHAPIRO could not recall the name of the airline chartered or the name of the terminal. KENNEDY normally chartered flights through American Airlines. The only person besides KENNEDY recognized by SCHAPIRO was WILLIAM BARRY, a KENNEDY aide. He was standing beside KENNEDY. The two youths were not associated with any organized group. In fact, if any organized group had been present, SCHAPIRO had no knowledge of it. The youth in the picture in question

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who is getting ready to shake hands with Senator KENNEDY, is definitely not a picture of SIRHAN SIRHAN according to SCHAPIRO, who based his opinion on having examined numerous photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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1Date 8/19/68

STEVE SCHAPIRO, free lance photographer, 170 West 73rd Street, New York, New York, telephone number 787-5087, called the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and stated that on August 13, 1968, he spoke with a Special Agent of the FBI in Los Angeles, California and observed a photograph of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY that he (SCHAPIRO) had taken sometime in March, 1968, at the Los Angeles International Airport.

SCHAPIRO states that he now recalls that he took the picture at the airport in San Francisco, California.

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ONDINE VAUGHN, free lance photographer and actress, 1221 North Genesee Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised the following:

Miss VAUGHN, who was previously interviewed June 21, 1968, had traveled with the Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign party as a photographer. She did work for STEVE SCHAPIRO, who distributes photographs through the Black Star Distributing Company in New York City. Miss VAUGHN examined the photographs of Senator KENNEDY which had been obtained through the office of HUGH J. MC DONALD, Assistant Press Secretary of the late Senator. One picture taken by STEVE SCHAPIRO of the Black Star Distributing Company shows KENNEDY shaking hands with an unidentified individual. Another person who resembles SIRHAN SIRHAN is standing next to KENNEDY with his hand outstretched to shake hands with KENNEDY. VAUGHN said that she was unable to identify the youth who is in the photograph who is about to shake hands with KENNEDY, and the only person she knew in the photograph besides Senator KENNEDY was WILLIAM BARRY, on the right side of the photograph. BARRY was a Senator KENNEDY aide. VAUGHN said the photograph appeared to her to have been taken at the Los Angeles International Airport at an entrance of a terminal utilized for the arrival of important persons. She speculated that the time probably would have been in May of 1968, during one of Senator KENNEDY's campaign trips to Los Angeles.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING INDIVIDUAL
WHO CAME INTO PAPPY'S STEW HOUSE,
RAYWOOD, TEXAS, ON MAY 23, 1968, AND
STATED WAS GOING TO CALIFORNIA TO
"GET ONE OF THOSE SENATORS"

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 6, 1968

JOSEPH WILLARD "PAPPY" LUKE, age 61, owner of Pappy's Stew House, General Delivery, Highway 90, Raywood, Texas, telephone 587-9059, advised around 11:00 a.m., on Thursday, one and one half weeks ago (date of May 23, 1968) a lone male came into Luke's restaurant and had a Coke and a bowl of stew. The man, believed to be named John (last name unknown) stated he was a salesman for the Broker Food Company and traveled all over the United States. The man stated he had just left Houston, Texas, and was traveling to New Orleans, Louisiana. LUKE told the man about LUKE's copyrighted Mulligan Stew and offered the man \$1,000 to promote the stew. The man declined and stated he was going to California. The man then made the following statement: "My life isn't worth two cents. I am going to the campaign meeting in California and straighten that s---- out there I am going to turn California upside down. I am going to get one of those Senators. I am going to kill them sons-of-b-----." LUKE inquired why. The man replied, "Because they are killing the Communists. I want to make it good for the Communists."

The man was not carrying any papers or other articles. He never displayed any identification. Nothing was observed in the man's car. LUKE tried to get the man to take his coat off as the restaurant was quite hot, but the man refused. The man paid for his food with a roll of bills approximately three inches in diameter. The man spun his wheels and drove east on Highway 90 at a very high rate of speed.

LUKE advised that there were no other witnesses to this incident.

The man was described as follows:

Name	JOHN (Last Name Unknown)
Race	Caucasian
Age	25-28 years
Height	5'4" - 5'6"

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Weight	125-135 pounds
Hair	Black, long, straight, combed back
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	Dark (looks French or Syrian)
Scars	Numerous short, vertical scars on both cheeks and right forehead (looked like fingernail scratches)
Features	Slim face, pointed chin, a large number of vertical wrinkles around mouth; no facial hair, tattoos, marks, or glasses; soft spoken (note LUKE is hard of hearing)
Jewelry	Gold watch on wrist
Vehicle	1967-1968 tan Ford sedan, large body style, number of doors unknown, 1968 Texas license plates, white sidewall tires, Texas inspection sticker on left corner of window, commercial radio antenna, had red and yellow lights on sides of fenders, no spot light, looked brand new.

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Date 8/7/68

JOSEPH WILLARD "PAPPY" LUKE, Pappy's Stew House, General Delivery, Highway 90, Raywood, Texas, was shown a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN which appeared on the front page of the Beaumont Enterprise, Beaumont, Texas newspaper dated June 6, 1968. Mr. LUKE, after viewing the photograph, stated positively that this photograph was identical to the man who came into Luke's restaurant on May 23, 1968.

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Date 8/26/68

JOSEPH WILLARD "Pappy" LUKE, owner of Pappy's Stew House, General Delivery, Highway 90, Raywood, Texas, advised he had been unable to recall anything additional concerning the description or comments of the man who came into his restaurant on May 23, 1968, and made various claims regarding his intention to kill a senator in California. LUKE advised the photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN which he viewed around the first of August, 1968, was in his opinion identical to that man who came into his restaurant on May 23, 1968. LUKE advised he has never owned a television set nor has he viewed anyone else's television set within the last six months. LUKE stated he could not read and has not looked at a newspaper for several years. He advised he was certain he had not seen a photograph of SIRHAN until a photograph was shown him by the FBI. LUKE stated he was hard of hearing but he was certain the man had said what LUKE reported on June 5, 1968.

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A photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN was shown the following residents of Raywood, Texas, on August 23, 1968. None of the persons had ever observed anyone similar to SIRHAN in Raywood:

CLARENCE JOHNSON
Johnson Texaco Service Station

JIMMY TAYLOR
Johnson Texaco Service Station

LEON FREGIA
Johnson Texaco Service Station

PERCY L. DeCUIR
DeCuir Enco Station

CHARLES HAGEN
DeCuir Enco Station

MARTHA FRANKLIN
Ma-&-Pa's Trading Post

Mrs. APPO LaFOUR
LaFour Food Market

It was noted there were no other residences or businesses in the small town of Raywood, Texas, that would have provided an opportunity for someone to view the man who spoke to J. W. LUKE on May 23, 1968.

Deputy Sheriff WILL AUTREY, Liberty County Sheriff's Office, Liberty, Texas, advised on August 23, 1968, his office had developed no information regarding the identity of the man who spoke to J. W. LUKE regarding a possible assassination attempt in the state of California.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING PERNELL EZZELL,
WHO ALLEGEDLY TELEPHONED A FORMER
EMPLOYER IN FLORIDA FROM DENVER,
COLORADO, ON JUNE 6, 1968, AND STATED
HE HAD A GREAT AMOUNT OF MONEY OBTAINED
AS A RESULT OF HIS PART IN ASSASSIN-
ATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING AND
SHOOTING OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
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On June 6, 1968, Mr. FRANK WETZEL, Manager, Perdue Radio, Television and Appliances, Incorporated, 2425 Colonial Drive, Orlando, Florida, furnished the following information:

PERNELL EZZELL is a former employee who has been missing about three weeks on this last occasion. He has previously left his job on past occasions and has been taken back. He called WETZEL on the morning of June 6, 1968 from 4:15 a.m. to 5:15 a.m. saying he was in Denver, Colorado. Mr. WETZEL said EZZELL seemed as though he were nervous, crazy or drunk.

EZZELL alleged to WETZEL that he had a great amount of money. He said he had a pile of \$20.00 bills which he had obtained as a result of his part in the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. EZZELL remarked that he had proof he was in Orlando, Florida when KING was shot and he was in Las Vegas when KENNEDY was shot if he were to need it. He alleged he was on the payroll of "CIA" and "OSI". He remarked that he had a "38", a "357", a "30-30" and a "306" type of guns in the trunk of his car. He said he was using a U-Drive-It car in Las Vegas the previous day with the "357" gun on the seat when he was stopped by a deputy. He said the deputy released him when he produced his Associated Detective Agency card and his gun permit which he read the number from as being #92B.

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Mr. WETZEL said that EZZELL did not threaten any one during his call or indicate that he intended to do any harm to anyone else.

WETZEL said that EZZELL indicated that he was his only friend in Orlando, Florida and he just wanted to talk to him to find out if he could come back to Orlando.

On June 6, 1968, Mrs. FAY EZZELL, 638 22nd Street, Orlando, Florida furnished the following information.

She advised that she married PERNELL EZZELL on February 25, 1967, this being her third marriage. She said they have one infant by this marriage and she has children by previous marriages. She said that EZZELL has caused her extreme anxiety and debt during their short period of marriage. She said he has deserted her at least three times and he was last seen by her over three weeks ago. She said that he had been treated for extreme alcoholism during their short marriage on at least two occasions by Doctor HERBERT COLLINS in Orlando, Florida and she had taken him to the Florida Sanitarium Hospital, Orlando, Florida for the same type treatment. She advised that he has been also treated at the Cherry Hospital for extreme alcoholism but she could not recall the name of the town in which the hospital is located. She said that she hoped that her husband does not return.

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Mrs. EZZELL said that PERNELL had called her on June 6, 1968 about 2:00 a.m. and the call lasted until about 3:00 or possibly a little later. She said he stated he was in Denver, Colorado. She said that on one occasion the call was interrupted by an operator who requested that he make a new call for credit charges which he did but the operator did not specifically identify herself as being in Denver, Colorado. Mrs. EZZELL said that PERNELL had called her on the morning of June 5, 1968 during the early hours saying that he was in Las Vegas, Nevada but she had no way of knowing his actual whereabouts at that time. She said that on both occasions he did not divulge his address or location. She said that in April, 1968, he was drinking heavily and she refused to allow him to come to the house with her children. She said he went to several motels around the Orlando, Florida area and ran up very large bills on credit cards which caused her financial difficulties. She said that on this occasions his drinking was only terminated when she took him to Dr. COLLINS for treatment of extreme alcoholism. She said that the doctor gave him tranquilizers to bring his shaking under control. She said he is a hopeless alcoholic and that when he is drinking he becomes affected mentally. Mrs. EZZELL advised that in the past PERNELL EZZELL when drinking had delusions of grandeur. She said that he would refer to big news stories in the newspapers and try to cause her to believe that he was in some way connected with military service intelligence and he would have to check on these news worthy events.

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She said that on several occasions when he was drinking and he had disappeared he would finally call her telling her that he had a large sum of money and that he would buy her all sorts of new presents. She said that on these occasions she found him penniless and drunk in North Florida.

Mrs. EZZELL said that when PERNELL called her on the past two mornings he had not made any allegations involving himself in any assassination plots on Dr. KING or Senator KENNEDY. She said he had not threatened anyone on these occasions except her when she told him she was seeking employment. He said that if she obtained a job he would come by and pick up the baby.

Mrs. EZZELL said that PERNELL did have some sort of a gun which he kept in his car because she would not allow him to bring it into the house. She said he had a permit to carry this gun because he worked as a guard during the night time at Associated Detective Agency, Orlando, Florida. She said he worked in the day time as a television technician for the Perdue Radio, Television and Appliances, Incorporated.

Mrs. EZZELL said that she has been receiving numerous bills from oil companies and American Express credit card which she did not open but forwarded to his mother in North Carolina because she could not pay them. She advised that she feels that her financial situation is so destitute that she will lose her home and furniture because of previous bills made by EZZELL.

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On June 6, 1968, Dr. HERBERT COLLINS, 3558 South Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida, advised that he treated PERNELL EZZELL for about the past couple of years due to extreme alcoholism the last period of treatment being in April, 1968. He said this man is unstable but he did not further describe him.

On June 6, 1968, the files of the Orlando, Florida Police Department furnished by MARIAN HARRISON revealed PERNELL EZZELL was arrested on June 2, 1961 being charged as a public drunk; on November 19, 1961 being charged with driving while intoxicated; and he was picked up on suspicion of auto theft March 9, 1962 at which time he was turned over to the Orange County Sheriff's Office. No photograph or fingerprint records for EZZELL were available.

On June 6, 1968, BERNICE FOGARTY, Orange County Sheriff's Office, Orlando, Florida, Identification Division and Deputy PHILIP MURPHY, Plain Clothes Division, both advised that they could locate no information pertaining to EZZELL in their files.

The following physical description was obtained from Mr. WETZEL and Mrs. EZZELL:

Name:	PERNELL EZZELL
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Date of Birth:	
Place of Birth:	Fayetteville, North Carolina

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Height:	5'10"
Weight:	185
Hair:	Sandy and wavy
Eyes:	Blue
Marital Status:	Married
Wife:	FAY EZZELL 636 22nd Street Orlando, Florida
Children:	1 infant child from that marriage
Relatives:	
Mother:	ACRIE EZZELL Route 4 Box 236 Clinton, N. C.
Brother:	THOMAS OZELL EZZELL Age 33 Fayetteville, N.C.

It is noted that on July 5, 1967, Officer JAMES WATFORD, Kissimmee, Florida, Police Department, advised the Tampa Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that PERNELL EZZELL had made statements to EZZELL's wife that he was an agent of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and in this capacity had to make secret trips, leaving his wife alone for periods of time. WATFORD indicated he knew of no one else who had been told by EZZELL that he was a CIA agent, and that there was no evidence EZZELL had obtained anything of value from anyone other than his wife.

On August 4, 1967, a representative of the CIA, Washington, D. C., advised that a check of CIA personnel files failed to disclose any individual named PERNELL EZZELL as being employed by that agency.

On August 28, 1967, Assistant United States Attorney KENDELL WHERRY, Middle District of Florida, was informed of above facts by a Special Agent of the FBI. Mr. WHERRY stated that the facts were insufficient to constitute a violation of the Impersonation Statute, and that he would therefore decline prosecution of EZZELL.

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PERNELL EZZELL was interviewed at the Shreveport, Louisiana, Resident Agency. At the outset of the interview EZZELL was advised of his rights but declined to sign a waiver of same. EZZELL declined to furnish a signed statement but voluntarily furnished the following information:

EZZELL denied that he had received or was ever in possession of a great amount of money as a result of his participation in the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING and the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He further denied stating to anyone he was on the payroll of the OSI and CIA.

EZZELL said he definitely did not participate in any manner, nor did he have any knowledge of or information concerning the murders of MARTIN LUTHER KING and Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

EZZELL admitted that he was glad KING was dead as he felt KING was a troublemaker, but emphasized that he did not have anything to do with killing him.

EZZELL said he could not remember making any statements to anyone regarding any of the above. He admitted that he may have made them when he was in a drunken condition, but could not recall making any such statements. He said he often has black-out periods which occur when he is drinking and he has been known to appear sober even when he is in a drunken state.

EZZELL said FRANK WETZEL is the Shop Foreman for his former employer at Perdue Radio and Television Company, Orlando, Florida. He and Wetzel have been out drinking together on a few occasions, usually after closing shop or on a payday night. WETZEL has been trying to get him into trouble with his wife. EZZELL said WETZEL thinks he is a ladies man and has in the past tried to take his wife out. His wife has told him that WETZEL has called her several times and in addition to trying to make a date would tell her of his running around with other women. EZZELL believed WETZEL tells his (EZZELL's) wife what he tells WETZEL in confidence. He was sure WETZEL told her about

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his being responsible for another girl's pregnancy at the time he married his wife.

EZZELL stated he has never confronted WETZEL with any of the above, but WETZEL has told him that he called him one night when he was drunk and cursed him out. EZZELL said he could not remember this call.

EZZELL advised that he has a serious drinking problem, but he did not consider himself an alcoholic. He said he was treated in the Veterans Administration Hospital, Fayetteville, North Carolina, for drunkenness shortly after his release from the Air Force in 1953. He further advised he had been a patient at Cherry Hospital, Goldsboro, North Carolina, for about 2 months during the past year. While at this hospital he underwent a number of psychiatric tests. He did not know the results of the tests.

EZZELL stated that he has had this serious drinking problem since his marriage in November 1967. He indicated he was forced to marry his wife as a result of her pregnancy prior to their wedding. He said, since his marriage he has been under constant pressure from his wife and in addition has serious financial problems.

EZZELL advised that because of his heavy drinking and the resulting "black-outs" he is not able to fix exactly his whereabouts on specific dates during the past year. However, he remembered the night of MARTIN LUTHER KING's death and said he was drunk at the time. He was registered at the Motel South, Orlando, Florida. With him at the time was a girl friend, whom he identified as VIOLET ALLRED, a nurse, who operates the Clear Lake Manor Nursing Home, Orlando, Florida. He said she is about 38 years of age. He recalled hearing of KING's death on the T.V. on the night it happened.

EZZELL said he did not remember where he was the night Senator KENNEDY was shot.

EZZELL could not account for his whereabouts on the night of June 5, 1968 and said he could not recall where he was at all during the month of June as he again was on a drunk.

EZZELL remembers flying from Orlando, Florida,

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to Los Angeles twice in recent months. The last was about August 4, 1968 when he flew via Delta Airlines. He stayed in Los Angeles four days and left driving a rented car after an unsuccessful effort in finding a job. On his way to Shreveport he stopped briefly at Phoenix, Albuquerque, and Hope, Arkansas. He claimed he pawned his 357 magnum revolver with a police officer in Hope, Arkansas, for \$45 on August 23, 1968. The gun was purchased for his second job as a security guard with Associated Security Company, Orlando, Florida. He claims he has never used the gun in commission of a crime.

EZZELL believed the previous trip to Los Angeles was made in June 1968 when he flew via Delta Airlines from Orlando, Florida. He was looking for a job on the occasion also. He stayed only two days and remembers returning from California via an unrecalled airline and that he stopped at Las Vegas, Denver, New Orleans and Miami. He does not remember if he stayed in any of these cities for any length of time. After reaching Miami he rented a car and drove to Orlando.

EZZELL claims he had no employment other than his jobs in Orlando and that he financed his trips with the money earned from working these two jobs, along with using his credit cards.

EZZELL recalled after driving from Miami he did not go home, but to a motel with Miss ALLRED. The following day he drove back to Miami and then returned to Orlando by bus. He thinks he rented the car at Miami from either Hertz or Avis-Rent-A-Car.

EZZELL stated he has not worked anywhere since August 4, 1968, and that he presently had in his possession \$36.00 which was left over from the sale of his gun.

EZZELL claimed he pawned a .38 Colt "Cobra" in Los Angeles on the last trip at an unrecalled pawn shop and that he presently has no weapon.

EZZELL could not recall any other details concerning his first trip to Los Angeles, he said he was drinking heavy on these trips and could not remember anything much about them. He could not remember the names of motels where he stayed. He claimed he has no friends in Los Angeles and

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that he made none while there on these trips.

EZZELL stated he is not now and never has been a member of any "hate" type organization such as the Ku Klux Klan.

EZZELL stated he would be leaving Shreveport, Louisiana, this evening by bus and could be reached through his mother Mrs. ACRIE EZZELL, Route 4, Clinton, North Carolina.

The following description was obtained from interview and observation:

Name	PERNELL EZZELL, alias "Easy"
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	Fayetteville, North Carolina
Height	6'1"
Weight	175
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Scars and Marks	None
Marital Status	Married to FAYE MARIE EZZELL 636 22nd Street, Orlando, Florida
Children	CLINTON EARL - 11 months
Parents	Father - deceased Mother - ACRIE EZZELL Route 4, Clinton, North Carolina
Brothers	THOMAS OZELLE EZELLE; age 33, Simco, Ontario, Canada WENDELL EZZELLE, age 25, High Point, North Carolina
Sister	DIANE McMILLIAN, age 19, Fayetteville, North Carolina employed Ft. Bragg, North Carolina
Residence	636 22nd Street, Orlando, Florida
Military Service	US Air Force 1951-1953, Honorable discharge Serial # AF14408130

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Arrest Record	Numerous drunk arrests - no felony arrests	P11
Social Security #	[REDACTED]	
Occupation	T.V. repairman and security guard	
Previous employment	Perdue Radio and T.V. - Orlando, Florida; Associates Security, Orlando, Florida; Electronic Service, Inc., Patco Division, Newport News, Virginia; American District Telegraph - Winston Salem, North Carolina American District Telegraph - Indianapolis, Indiana	
Previous Residences	Raleigh, North Carolina, Fayetteville, North Carolina, Ashville, North Carolina, Newport News, Virginia, Indianapolis, Indiana, Orlando, Florida	
Friends	CHRISTINE TENDELL, Clinton, North Carolina VIOLET ALLRED, Orlando, Florida	

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING STATEMENT
ALLEGEDLY MADE IN MID-MAY 1968, BY
"BUDDY" JENSEN AT A CONFERENCE IN
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, THAT KENNEDY WOULD BE KILLED

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 8/1/68

ROBERT C. CALLAHAN, President, Goode Motors, Inc., Bristol, Tennessee, a Dodge dealer, advised that about May 18, 1968, he attended a conference of the National Automobile Dealers Association truck meeting at the Americana Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and one evening during dinner he was with a group of people which included "BUDDY" JENSEN, GMC dealer, Fairfield, Connecticut, when JENSEN made some statements to the effect he had attended some meetings and knew what was going to happen to MARTIN LUTHER KING and "BOBBY" KENNEDY.

JENSEN reportedly said that KENNEDY would be killed, and he would never get into office. JENSEN did not mention what meetings he had attended or where the meetings were held.

CALLAHAN said JENSEN had been drinking, and he (CALLAHAN) had never met him before, and, therefore, there was some discussion concerning JENSEN's comments among the people present.

CALLAHAN further advised that FRANK GOODPASTURE, JR., of Goodpasture Motor Company, Bristol, Virginia, as well as a man from Nashville, Tennessee, and one from Ohio, may have heard the comments of JENSEN. He stated GOODPASTURE was a good friend of JENSEN, and would be able to evaluate JENSEN and his remarks.

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Los Angeles 44-1574
by SA DEAN W. GASTEIGER/vlr Date dictated 7/29/68

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FRANK GOODPASTURE, JR., Goodpasture Motor Company, Bristol, Virginia, advised he has known JOHN A. JENSEN, also known as "Buddy", General Motor Service and Truck Company, 386 State Street Extension, Fairfield, Connecticut, since 1959, and he always has found him to be a person of high morals, character and reputation.

He said he attended the dinner at the Americana Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, during the conference of the National Automobile Dealers Association, truck meeting, and that JOHN A. JENSEN was present, and he heard JENSEN was making remarks concerning segregation; however, since the remarks were not made to him, he could not recall any definite statements he may have made.

He said he gathered from the remarks that JENSEN had some feelings regarding segregation as there apparently had been some trouble in Fairfield, Connecticut. He stated he did not feel JENSEN meant anything by his remarks and he put no significance in them as he had been drinking.

He recalled that ARTHUR IRWIN, Irwin GMC Inc., GMC dealer, Lima, Ohio, was present, as well as BILL WILSON, General Truck Sales, Murfreesboro Road, Nashville, Tennessee, and ROBERT C. GALLAHAN, Goode Motor Company, Bristol, Tennessee.

He said after the meeting, WILSON and IRWIN made a trip to Jamaica, and they discussed the remarks of JENSEN, but they put no significance to them. He said that if JENSEN is contacted, he is sure he could explain his remarks.

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On 7/25/68 at Bristol, Virginia File # Richmond 44-657
SA DEAN W. CASTEIGER/vlr Los Angeles 44-1574
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Date 8/7/681

ARTHUR IRWIN, 2629 Shoreline Drive, advised that he is the President of the Irwin GMC, Inc., 2320 St. Johns Avenue, Lima, Ohio, and that he had in May 1968, attended a conference of the National Automobile Dealers Association truck meeting at the Americana Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. He recalled around May 18, 1968, he had attended a dinner and at this dinner "BUDDY" JENSEN, GMC truck dealer at Fairfield, Connecticut; FRANK GOODPASTURE, JR., of the Goodpasture Motor Company, Bristol, Virginia; a BILL WILSON of Nashville, Tennessee, and a man from Bristol, Tennessee, also attended. He stated he could not recall the name of the man from Bristol, Tennessee. Mr. IRWIN said there were about 14 people who sat at a long table at this dinner and that a large number of persons attended the conference at the hotel. Mr. IRWIN said that he had a place at the table about four to six persons from "BUDDY" JENSEN. He said he does recall that in general conversation someone, he did not know who made the remark, said something about some group possibly being behind the KING matter.

He stated he could recall no further details. He said he had placed absolutely no significance in this and that there had been quite a bit of drinking going on. Mr. IRWIN said that he has known "BUDDY" JENSEN for about six years and he described him as a very reputable man of good reputation. Mr. IRWIN said it was his belief Mr. JENSEN was the type of man who would possibly have rather strong opinions and would just go ahead and say something.

Mr. IRWIN said further that during the dinner, someone also made a remark to the effect that after what had happened to "JACK", something might happen to "BOBBY". Mr. IRWIN could not recall any specific words, other details, nor could he recall who made this remark.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date September 26, 1968

JOHN A. JENSEN, proprietor, General Motors Service and Truck Company, 386 State Street Extension, Fairfield, Connecticut, advised that he is also known as "BUDDY" JENSEN. He informed that he attended a General Motors truck dealers convention in Miami Beach, Florida, during mid-May of 1968. He related that one evening during the convention, he participated in a cocktail party and dinner with other General Motors dealers at the Luau Restaurant in Miami Beach. He mentioned among those participating in the party were BILL WILSON, a dealer from Nashville, Tennessee, and his wife; FRANK GOODPASTURE, a dealer from Bristol, Virginia, and his wife; ART IRWIN, a dealer from Lima, Ohio, and his wife; and one Mr. CALLAHAN, a Dodge dealer from Bristol, Tennessee, and his wife. He stated that all were close friends and associates of his, with the exception of Mr. and Mrs. CALLAHAN, whom he met at the convention.

JENSEN related that considerable consumption of intoxicating beverages preceded the dinner party. He specifically asserted having "two large blasts" prior to dinner. He immediately mentioned that he has extrasensory perception, and during the course of the dinner mentioned that he had predicted the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY and Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING. He remarked that his utterances in this regard may have been stupid, but that he had sincerely believed in his ability of extrasensory perception. He also mentioned that he remarked during the dinner party that if Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was nominated and elected President he would also be assassinated.

JENSEN reiterated that this remark was probably stupid on his part, but insisted on his ability toward extrasensory perception and "guesswork."

JENSEN stated that following the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, he was told by friends that Mrs. CALLAHAN, who is pregnant and very emotional, became very upset and in recalling

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On 9/20/68 at Fairfield, Connecticut File # NH 157-818

by SA GEORGE T. RIORDAN/mec Date dictated 9/23/68

the party at the Luau Restaurant in Miami Beach, decided to contact the FBI concerning remarks made by JENSEN.

JENSEN repeated his belief of his ability toward extrasensory perception. He asserted that he does not belong to any organizations other than the Kiwanis Club and the General Motors dealers organizations. He specifically denied attending any meetings of organizations where the assassinations of any prominent figures were discussed. He also claimed that during the dinner party at the Luau Restaurant in Miami Beach, he had not mentioned attending any meetings where the assassinations of the Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING and Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been discussed.

JENSEN denied being sympathetic toward or affiliated with any racist, extremist or hate groups. He recalled that he and his wife were the only Northerners at the dinner party at the Luau Restaurant and that the others present were deeply interested in their comments concerning racial matters. He stated that some racial questions were probably discussed and mentioned during the course of the evening; however, he was unable to recall any specific racial topic, other than he may have accused the Southerners of sending all of the Negroes north to create problems here.

JENSEN remarked: "I will probably have to keep my mouth shut. I know it was a stupid thing to say, but I knew all of the rest of the people in the party, with the exception of the CALLAHANS."

JENSEN steadfastly claimed that although his remarks may have sounded stupid, it was his honest belief that his predictions were based on his power of extrasensory perception or "purely guesswork."

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 8/19/68

WILLIAM J. WILSON, General Truck Sales, 535 Murfreesboro Road, Nashville, Tennessee, advised as follows:

During May of 1968, he attended a conference of the National Automobile Dealers Association in Miami Beach, Florida, which was attended by a number of truck dealers throughout the United States. One evening during this series of meetings he was with a group of individuals including "BUDDY" JENSEN of Fairfield, Connecticut and ARTHUR IRWIN of Lima, Ohio. Everyone in this group of some twenty to twenty-five men had been drinking heavily and conversations could only be described as extremely "alcoholic."

On one occasion, "BUDDY" JENSEN made some remark to the effect that ROBERT KENNEDY would never live to become President, if he were nominated and elected, that someone would probably shoot him. JENSEN did not say that he had attended any meeting where this was discussed, nor was any conversation recalled with reference to MARTIN LUTHER KING.

He does not recall any other remarks of JENSEN and does not recall discussing JENSEN's remarks on a subsequent trip to Jamaica, which he made accompanied by other men at the conference.

He paid absolutely no attention to JENSEN's remark regarding KENNEDY, since he was drinking heavily, as were most of the men at the conference.

He described JENSEN as an "ultra conservative", a loyal American, and one who would have no part in the death of KENNEDY or KING.

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On 8/12/68 at Nashville, Tennessee File # Memphis 44-1987

by SA WILLIAM M. HOBBS, JR./mas;jas Date dictated 8/12/68

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING AN
INDIVIDUAL REPORTED AS A
LAICIZED PRIEST AND FRIEND OF
KENNEDY FAMILY REPORTEDLY PRESENT AT
CENTRAL RECEIVING HOSPITAL WHEN SENATOR
ROBERT F. KENNEDY BROUGHT IN JUNE 5, 1968

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Information was previously received by the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) that an individual was reportedly present at Central Receiving Hospital, Los Angeles, at the time Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was brought in during the early morning hours of June 5, 1968. This individual was further reported as a laicized priest and a friend of the family. Father THOMAS PEACHA, Saint Basil Parish, Los Angeles, advised Sergeant GUTIERREZ, LAPD, that this individual might be a man named JAMES W. MUNDELL.

Following is interview of JAMES W. MUNDELL.

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JAMES W. MUNDELL, 555 North Rossmore, Los Angeles, California, telephone number 466-9489, advised that he was a former Roman Catholic priest but stated he no longer is connected with the church in an official capacity.

He said he had been a schoolmate of STEVEN SMITH, brother-in-law of ROBERT KENNEDY, and through this association had become acquainted with several members of the KENNEDY family. In this connection, he said he became closely acquainted with ETHEL KENNEDY and that he has been a close friend for about the past ten years.

Mr. MUNDELL stated that on June 4-5, 1968, he had been at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles and had engaged in personal conversation with Senator ROBERT KENNEDY prior to KENNEDY's scheduled speech. He said he had preceded ROBERT KENNEDY to the ballroom at the hotel and had joined two or three other campaign workers in clearing a path in order that KENNEDY could get through to the speaker's stand. He stated this had been on the left side of the speaker's stand and that KENNEDY had surprised them all by making his entry into the room from the opposite side. He related he had been rather removed from the scene and did not actually observe the shooting of KENNEDY.

He stated, however, that following the shooting and while KENNEDY was still on the floor at the hotel he joined ETHEL KENNEDY by the side of her husband to assist in any way possible.

He said that when KENNEDY was removed from the hotel to take him to the hospital, he jumped into a taxicab with about three other unknown people and followed the ambulance and police cars to the Central Receiving Hospital in Los Angeles. In the police car immediately preceding him to the hospital was STEPHEN SMITH.

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Upon arrival at the hospital, he said there was great confusion and that he had difficulty in gaining entry into the hospital due to the fact he was in civilian clothes and was not known to the police. He said STEPHEN SMITH saw his difficulty and that through SMITH he gained access to the hospital.

He said he joined the family in the operating room and after staying there for a short time, removed himself to the corridor. While waiting in the hall, ETHEL KENNEDY came from the operating room and handed to him a rather large bundle. He said that nothing was said as to what the bundle contained but he said that he knew for some reason that it contained ROBERT KENNEDY's clothes.

Following this, he left the hospital and was beckoned by someone in the KENNEDY family, exactly whom he could not recall, to join the family in the ambulance which was to take KENNEDY to the Good Samaritan Hospital. He said that it was very crowded and he thereupon hopped out of the ambulance. He said that at this point ETHEL KENNEDY motioned for him to return but he did not.

He said he drove to the Good Samaritan Hospital in a car with TED SORENSON and upon arrival at the hospital, he rejoined the family in the operating room. While in the operating room, he turned over the bundle of clothes to some police officer on duty.

MUNDELL advised that the above constitutes his activities during the period following the shooting of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

He added that he had been a member of the KENNEDY party in an unofficial capacity through his personal friendship with the family.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING
DONALD DAVID EVANGELISTA,
EXTRA BANQUET WAITER AT AMBASSADOR
HOTEL, LOS ANGELES, FROM MAY 17-JUNE 19, 1968

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/24/681

Mr. ANGELO DE PIERRO, Maitre d', Banquet Room, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, advised the following:

DONALD DAVID EVANGELISTA, an extra banquet waiter who had been hired at the Ambassador Hotel May 17, 1968, and who voluntarily terminated on June 19, 1968, was an established extra waiter who had been used from time to time for a period of two to three years. EVANGELISTA was reported to have taken a trip back East. Neither his specific address nor his current employment was known to DE PIERRO. DE PIERRO suggested that EVANGELISTA could be reached through Local 17 of the Waiters' Union, 321 South Bixel Street, Los Angeles.

Concerning the general character and reputation of EVANGELISTA, DE PIERRO said that there were some rumors, source of which he could not recall, that EVANGELISTA had had some trouble with the police back East, but the nature of the trouble was not known to DE PIERRO.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 9/19/68

Mr. ERNEST VALLERO, Job Dispatcher, Southern California Waiters Alliance, Local 17, American Federation of Labor (AFL) - Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO), 321 South Bixel Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone HU 2-9800, advised the following:

Mr. VALLERO said that he frequently dispatched extra waiters to the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles but had no personal recollection of DONALD EVANGELISTA, Social Security Number [REDACTED] who reportedly was hired as an extra banquet waiter at the Ambassador Hotel on May 17, 1968. PII

Mr. VALLERO ascertained from records of Local 17 that DONALD D. EVANGELISTA, Social Security Number [REDACTED] had joined Local 17 on January 19, 1965. He was born June 29, 1943 in Massachusetts. EVANGELISTA was suspended from Local 17 in July 1965. EVANGELISTA's wife was identified as MARIA E. EVANGELISTA. No residence address or phone number appeared in the records. It was noted that in July 1965, EVANGELISTA had affiliated with Waiters Local 531 at 1192 East Walnut Street, Pasadena, California, telephone 449-3771. PII

The records also disclosed that on May 17, 1968, EVANGELISTA had paid \$25.00 toward a reinstatement fee of \$50.00 to Local 17. There was nothing on the record to indicate that EVANGELISTA had been dispatched by Local 17 to the Ambassador Hotel.

Mr. VALLERO voiced the opinion that Mr. EVANGELISTA when seeking extra work at the Ambassador Hotel on May 17, 1968, may have learned that it was necessary to reinstate himself with the Waiters Local before he would be hired, therefore, his payment of \$25.00 on May 17, 1968. The balance of \$25.00 due for reinstatement was never paid and the \$25.00 paid on May 17, 1968 was forfeited, according to Mr. VALLERO.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION 9/24/68

LUCY HALLUM, Auditor's Department, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, advised that records of the auditing department disclosed the following information concerning recent canceled payroll checks on file.

A check dated June 14, 1968, Number 9403, drawn on the Union Bank and Trust Company, Wilshire and Western Avenue, in the amount of \$40.34, made payable to DONALD D. EVANGELISTA, had been cashed on July 15, 1968, and bore the endorsement of DONALD EVANGELISTA and MARIA E. WICKSON, 517 South Kenmore Avenue, Los Angeles, Apartment 2, telephone Number 384-3714.

Another check dated June 21, 1968, Number 9939, in the amount of \$37.59 made payable to DONALD D. EVANGELISTA bearing the endorsement of DONALD EVANGELISTA, no address, had been cashed on July 10, 1968. A stamp of the bank where the check was possibly cashed was the First Western Bank and Trust of Los Angeles--Number [REDACTED]

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Date 9/24/681

WALTER LIM, Manager of the apartments at 517 South Kenmore Avenue, Los Angeles, advised the following:

MARIA and DONALD WICKSON had rented Apartment 2 at 517 South Kenmore Avenue on May 20, 1968, and left on August 2, 1968. They left a forwarding address of 5933 Gregory Avenue, Apartment 9, Hollywood, California, 90038, telephone number 466-2338.

Mr. WICKSON was a waiter at the Ambassador Hotel. He did not have an automobile. His wife had a small child about three to four years of age and she was pregnant. Mr. WICKSON, a male Caucasian in his early 20s, had said that following the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel June 5, 1968, business had fallen off at the hotel to the extent that Mr. WICKSON could not make enough money to support his wife and retain the apartment at Kenmore Avenue. Mr. WICKSON and wife, a female Caucasian in her mid 20s, dark hair, were good tenants. Mr. LIM did not know their background or where Mr. WICKSON might be working at the present time.

Mr. LIM did not know DONALD WICKSON by the name of DONALD EVANGELISTA.

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1Date 9/30/68

PHYLLIS TALBOT, Office Manager, Local 531, AFL-CIO of the Southern California Waiters Alliance, 1192 East Walnut Street, Pasadena, California, telephone 449-3771, advised the following:

Records of Local 531 revealed that DONALD EVANGELISTA, a waiter, had transferred to Local 531 from Local 17 at 321 South Bixel Street, Los Angeles, on July 29, 1965. He furnished a date of birth, [REDACTED], a Social Security Number [REDACTED]. He paid dues through March of 1966 and then became inactive for non-payment of dues. On May 17, 1968, Local 17 of the Southern California Waiters Alliance made an inquiry concerning DONALD EVANGELISTA, requesting whether or not there were any delinquent dues, as EVANGELISTA was planning re-instatement. A re-instatement fee of \$83.75 was quoted by Local 531 to Local 17.

TALBOT said the only address listed in the records for EVANGELISTA was 444 North Euclid Avenue, Pasadena, California. His wife was listed as MARIA E. EVANGELISTA. He was employed as a waiter at the Stuff Shirt Restaurant, 901 East Del Mar Street, Pasadena, as of July 1965.

TALBOT said that she was not personally acquainted with EVANGELISTA and had no additional knowledge concerning him.

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1Date 9/30/68

Mr. EDWARD A. ROBISHAUD, manager of the apartment house at 444 North Euclid Avenue, Pasadena, California, advised the following:

The apartment at this address, known as the York House, has changed management several times since July of 1965, and DONALD EVANGELISTA and wife, MARIA E. EVANGELISTA, were not residing at this apartment nor were they known to Mr. ROBICHAUD. The latter said that there were no other tenants at this time who were residing at the York House in July of 1965 and that he had no records available which might confirm the residence there of Mr. and Mrs. EVANGELISTA.

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Mr. HARRY PAUNZEN, Office Manager of the Stuff Shirt Restaurant, 901 East Del Mar Street, Pasadena, California, advised the following:

Records to confirm the employment of DONALD EVANGELISTA as a waiter at the Stuff Shirt Restaurant, as of July 1965, were not readily available. Mr. PAUNZEN, however, had personal recollection of EVANGELISTA having worked as a waiter about that time for several months, but he left rather suddenly and his present whereabouts is not known. He had been obtained through the Waiters Local 531 in Pasadena and had very little background other than that a Social Security number had been obtained on him.

STAN CUPPETT, a waiter at the Stuff Shirt, was acquainted with EVANGELISTA and could probably furnish additional information.

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Mr. STAN CUPPETT, also known as Bob Cuppett, a waiter employed at the Stuff Shirt Restaurant, 901 East Del Mar Street, Pasadena, California, advised the following:

CUPPETT said he recalled DONALD EVANGELISTA, who was employed as a waiter at the Stuff Shirt Restaurant for several months, which would have been about 1965 or 1966. While here, he married a girl who reportedly was from Colombia, South America. EVANGELISTA left quite suddenly when he found out that some representative of a Federal agency, believed to be possibly with the FBI, had made inquiry at the restaurant concerning EVANGELISTA. The latter reportedly went to Colombia.

EVANGELISTA showed up at the restaurant three or four months ago, said "Hello," and claimed to have been back East. EVANGELISTA had been a member of Waiters Local 531 in Pasadena and Waiters Local 17 in Los Angeles, and it was possible that these organizations may have a current address on EVANGELISTA.

While working at the Stuff Shirt, EVANGELISTA was a personable young man and was well liked. CUPPETT did not know why EVANGELISTA left suddenly without notice.

EVANGELISTA was described as being a male Caucasian, about 25 years of age, 5'8", 130 pounds, wavy light brown hair, medium complexion, of possible Italian descent. He originally claimed to have resided in Massachusetts.

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MARIE E. WICKSON, also known as Mrs. Donald Wickson and Mrs. Donald David Evangelista, 5933 Gregory Avenue, Los Angeles, California, Apartment 9, telephone 466-2338, advised as follows:

Mrs. WICKSON said that her husband, DONALD WICKSON, who was also known as Donald David Evangelista but who was using the name of DONALD WICKSON, was currently en route from a trip to Massachusetts and was expected to be back in Los Angeles around September 27, 1968.

She said that DONALD had been working as a waiter at the Ambassador Hotel when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot, however, he had not told her that he had any firsthand knowledge of the shooting. Further, DONALD had not related to her that he had been acquainted with SIRHAN SIRHAN, who had been charged with the shooting of Senator KENNEDY. She said that she and her husband had lived in Pasadena for awhile, but neither she nor her husband had any recollection of seeing or meeting SIRHAN SIRHAN or any members of SIRHAN's family.

Photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and members of his family were exhibited to Mrs. WICKSON, following which she said that they were not identical to any persons she had known or seen.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING LETTER
RECEIVED BY SISTER M. MADDALENA,
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
WHICH CONCERNED AN ACCOMPLICE IN
THE DEATH OF ROBERT F. KENNEDY

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By letter dated July 23, 1968, Sister M. MADDALENA, Box 99, Darnall Hall, Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., 20007, furnished the Post Office Inspector, 12th and Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C., a xeroxed copy of a note which she indicated had been placed in an envelope addressed to her in place of the original letter. The note concerned an accomplice in the death of ROBERT KENNEDY. Sister MADDALENA's letter was furnished to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., by the Post Office Inspector.

A copy of this note is as follows:

Federal Bureau of Investigation

9th & Pennsylvania Ave. NW

Washington, D.C.

Georgetown University
Box 99, Darnall Hall
Washington, D.C.
July 23, 1968

Post Office Inspector
12th & Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Yesterday, the 22nd, I received an envelope postmarked from Philadelphia on the 18th. The envelope had been opened and its original letter removed. In its place was a peculiar note concerning an accomplice in the death of Robert Kennedy. Enclosed is a Xerox copy of both the envelope and the note.

About five days ago another one of my letters had been opened. It contained pictures so it was scotch taped and received intact.

I have no desire to prosecute the one who tampered with these letters. He evidently was trying to get this information through to someone for attention. He may be demented and then, again, he may not.

As I am attending Summer classes, I will be here only until August 9. If I can give you any further information, I'll be glad to do so.

Sincerely,

L. M. Maddalena

Copy to: F.B.I.
Senator Kennedy

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FOR the Police

El Criminal Dhe
Mr. Roberto Kennedy
Es Mr. Mercury
Bob Roberto Mercury
Olga Olvera Osuna de Mercury
2127 Stanford ave.
Mountain View California
Lake (Sacramento) California
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

8/15/68

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Mrs. ALICE BURNS, Credit Bureau of Palo Alto, 435 Hamilton Avenue, advised that FEDERICO C. OSUNA had been known to the Credit Bureau since April, 1956. She made available his credit file, which showed he has been employed by Libby, McNeil and Libby, Sunnyvale, California, since 1959. His address since that time was listed as 2127 Stanford Avenue, Mountain View. There was nothing unfavorable in the credit file.

A review of current city and telephone directories showed OSUNA still is employed by Libby, McNeil and Libby, and resides at the above address.

Mrs. BURNS stated there was no information in the Credit Bureau files concerning OLGA OLVERA OSUNA or ROBERTO MERCURY.

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Miss JOAN MASON, Mountain View Police Department,
advised there was no record in their files concerning
FEDERICO OSUNA, OLGA OLVERA OSUNA, or ROBERTO MERCURY.

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Date 8/15/68

Mrs. FEDERICO C. OSUNA (RUTILIA), 2127 Stanford Avenue, advised as follows:

She and her husband have lived at the above address for the past ten years. Mr. OSUNA is employed in the Maintenance Department of Libby, McNeil and Libby, Sunnyvale, California, where he has worked for the past ten years.

OLGA OLVERA OSUNA is their daughter, who is married to ROBERT KESSLER and lives at 906 Iris, Sunnyvale. She knows no one named BOB ROBERTO MERCURY and her daughter is not known by the name of OLGA OLVERA OSUNA DE MERCURY.

Mrs. OSUNA was shown a copy of a document containing the above names, as well as the name of ROBERT KENNEDY, and the address 2127 Estanford Avenue, Mountain View, California. She identified the handwriting on this document as being that of her sister, ROSARIO OLVERA DE INFANTE, age 48. She said her sister is mentally unbalanced and should be in an institution for the insane. She is the wife of QUIRINO INFANTE, P. O. Box 753, Walnut Grove, California; however, she has run away from him and her present whereabouts are unknown. She was in a mental hospital in Stockton, California, for about two years, but was released a year or two ago. This hospital is located at 510 E. Magnolia Street, Stockton, California.

Since her release she has written many letters to all the members of the family accusing them of crimes and saying derogatory things about them. These letters come from all over the United States. Her husband does not know where she is, as she left him several months ago and has not been heard from since.

Her sister knows that OLGA OLVERA OSUNA is the daughter of FEDERICO and RUTILIA OSUNA, but she does not know the last name of her husband or their address. OLGA's husband, who is named ROBERT, used to have a Mercury automobile, and she believes that ROSARIO connected that fact with ROBERT and

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In her distorted mind used that as his last name and then added as part of the name of OLGA.

She knows that ROBERT KESSLER and OLGA were in Sunnyvale at the time ROBERT KENNEDY was killed, and that they had no connection with the killing whatsoever.

She did recall that ROSARIO, her sister, ran off to Mexico a year or so ago, and that recently one of her letters was postmarked in Washington, D.C.

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Mrs. ROBERT KESSLER (OLGA OLVERA OSUNA), 906 Iris, advised as follows:

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. FEDERICO OSUNA, 2127 Stanford Avenue, Mountain View. Her husband is employed by Edelweiss Dairy, Santa Clara, California.

Her mother's sister, ROSARIO OLVERA DE INFANTE, is a mental case, and has been mentally unbalanced for many years. She is married to QUIRINO INFANTE, Walnut Grove, California, but he does not know where she is and she has abandoned him.

ROSARIO despises her entire family and is constantly writing letters to them containing accusations and insults. These letters come from many different places. ROSARIO knows she is married, but does not know her husband's last name or their current address. If ROSARIO used the name MERCURY in a communication, it must have been because OLGA's husband formerly owned a Mercury automobile and she identified him by this means.

Neither she nor her husband had any connection with the killing of ROBERT KENNEDY, both of them being at home on the night he was killed.

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INTERVIEW OF HAFEZ ARAFAT,
CANOGA PARK, CALIFORNIA, WHO
BEARS RESEMBLANCE TO SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN

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MARWAN MOHAMMED SABAHA, Apartment B, 415 North 3rd Street, Alhambra, California, was previously contacted concerning his knowledge of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN. At that time he advised that he is a Jordanian and that among the several Jordanian nationals he knows in the Los Angeles area, the only person that he could recall who resembled SIRHAN was an acquaintance by the name of HAFEZ ARAFAT.

Following is interview of HAFEZ ARAFAT.

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Mr. HAFEZ ARAFAT (884-8575) 6641 Glade Avenue, Canoga Park, California, employed by Custom Components Switches, 21111 Plummer, Chatsworth, California was interviewed at the Canoga Park Resident Agency. Mr. ARAFAT stated that he is a friend of MARWAN MOHAMMED SABHA and has been told he resembles SIRHAN. ARAFAT advised that he has never met SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN and knows nothing about him, other than what he has read and heard through the news media.

ARAFAT stated that he came to the United States from Jordan in 1960 and attended the University of Washington at Seattle until March, 1965. He returned home to Jordan for a visit and came back to the United States in February, 1966. He married his wife in Los Angeles and has lived in this area since, with the exception of six months, April to August, 1967 when he went back to the University of Washington to finish his studies and obtain his degree.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ALLEGATION
THAT CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM MADE
STATEMENTS CONCERNING POSSIBLE
ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR
ROBERT F. KENNEDY

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On June 20, 1968, RONALD L. ARCHER, 7306 El Redondo Circle, Buena Park, California, phone 521-3597, telephonically contacted SA DONALD H. PERRY at the Los Angeles Office of the FBI.

ARCHER stated that a few days before Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was killed, his (ARCHER's) brother-in-law JOHN MC CARTHY, telephone number 637-1659, made numerous statements to the effect that KENNEDY would be killed in Los Angeles and he made references to Jordan and Jordanians.

ARCHER stated that when he told MC CARTHY that the FBI should be advised about his statements, MC CARTHY became irate and stated he, MC CARTHY, would have to call his employer because his employer did not want the FBI to know about this. ARCHER stated that he does not know MC CARTHY's employer or his actual address, but stated he could be reached at the above telephone number which is accurate.

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Date 7/5/68

Mrs. JOHN FRANCIS MC CARTHY was contacted at her residence at 1810 Grove Avenue, Apartment C, Orange, California, phone 637-1659, in an attempt to locate her husband. She was advised that her husband was reported to have made some statements concerning the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Mrs. MC CARTHY stated that she is thoroughly confused over the whole situation. She stated she was not sure of the facts, but she recalled that her husband had mentioned that he had met a man, in a car she thought, who stated that if KENNEDY were to become President, or even before that, he would be killed. She further stated that her husband seemed very nervous after he heard an announcement over the radio after the assassination, in connection with a reported diary which had been found. It belonged to SIRHAN SIRHAN and mentioned a particular name which her husband thought might have some connection with the conversation he heard. He said he was surprised to meet this man, but the man said he had a very important engagement on the day after KENNEDY was killed so that he could not do what her husband had asked him to do.

Mrs. MC CARTHY explained that her husband had mentioned this information to his employer, at J.K.I. Investigations, and his employer had indicated he would contact a lawyer and tell him what the circumstances were, and if he thought it was of importance, the lawyer could call JOHN MC CARTHY and then JOHN could tell the FBI about it. She explained that she knew that the FBI would get a great number of calls regarding the assassination, and since they were not sure the incident had any connection with the assassination, they did not want to bother the FBI unless it looked as if it would be very important.

Mrs. MC CARTHY said that JOHN had mentioned something about this information to his brother-in-law, RONALD L. ARCHER,

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who told him he thought he should report this information to the FBI. They tried to explain to the brother-in-law that it was being handled, but he, ARCHER, insisted on calling the FBI.

Mrs. MC CARTHY stated she did not know where her husband was currently working, because he had just started a new job, but he could be contacted telephonically that evening for an appointment.

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Date 7/5/68

JOHN FRANCIS MC CARTHY was contacted at Mac Arthur Boulevard and Campus Drive in Costa Mesa, after having made an appointment telephonically on the evening of June 25, 1968.

He was advised that he was being contacted in connection with information regarding the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY which he reportedly had in his possession.

MC CARTHY explained that he had been working for J.K.I Investigations, 190 North Orange, Orange, California, as an investigator in June 1968, but he is no longer employed there because of a reduction in force. In connection with a case to which he was assigned, he had to contact CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM, 1319 East Baldwin, Orange, California, in connection with a compensation case. GRESHAM had had an alleged injury and was receiving compensation, and he, MC CARTHY, was attempting to ascertain if GRESHAM was seriously injured. He stated he contacted GRESHAM at his residence, which was for sale, and in the course of their conversation, he asked MC CARTHY if he would be able to help him in doing some work cleaning up some property. GRESHAM indicated that he could not. The first contact with GRESHAM was on May 29, 1968, at which time they talked about the coming election, and the subject of Senator KENNEDY came up. MC CARTHY alleged that GRESHAM stated, "KENNEDY, that bastard, I wouldn't vote for him." He further stated something to the effect that if KENNEDY were to be elected President, he would probably be shot like his brother, and he added, "You know why, because of his support of Israel. He wanted to send arms to the damn Jews."

MC CARTHY stated that he recontacted GRESHAM on June 3, 1968, and tried to make an appointment with him on Wednesday, June 5, 1968, but he stated that he had a very important engagement and would not be able to make it on that date. MC CARTHY explained that it was in the early morning hours of that day that Senator KENNEDY had been shot, and

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after thinking about his statement, he wondered why GRESHAM would not be able to meet him. He further stated that after hearing a broadcast concerning SIRHAN SIRHAN's diary which had mentioned the name GOLDBERG, he recalled that GRESHAM had also mentioned the name GOLDBERG, but he could not recall in what connection.

MC CARTHY stated that he told his boss, JAY KUDE, about the conversation, and KUDE indicated he had a friend who was an assistant to Chief THOMAS J. REDDIN of the Los Angeles Police Department, and he, KUDE, would think it over, and if it looked like it was important, he would tell this man at the Los Angeles Police Department.

MC CARTHY explained that on June 9, 1968, he and GRESHAM had about a two hour conversation at GRESHAM's house, and GRESHAM stated he had been thinking a lot about the assassination, and it was bad. He further stated that it might happen again, and a good place would be Chicago, the city of violence. GRESHAM stated that he heard later that someone had been murdered in Chicago, and he wondered about GRESHAM's statements. MC CARTHY said that there is always TED KENNEDY who is left, and GRESHAM stated that he will probably "get it too." MC CARTHY stated that the man had not been drinking, because he does not drink, and he made no mention of Jordanians and indicated no connection with any Jordanians.

MC CARTHY said that he is not sure whether his boss actually told the man at the Los Angeles Police Department about the above information.

MC CARTHY described GRESHAM as about 61, white male, about 5'10", 165 pounds, medium build, brown-gray hair, hazel eyes, gold rimmed glasses, married, unemployed.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA
CLAUDE E. WILLIS:

On June 27, 1968, FOREST HOLSINGER, Owner, Mary's Draperies, 1143 Struck Street, Anaheim, California, employer of Mrs. CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM, was interviewed concerning Mrs. GRESHAM and her husband. He stated he had met CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM and he feels that he is definitely reliable. He stated that neither Mr. nor Mrs. GRESHAM has discussed politics with him and neither one has shown any strong feeling concerning any of the candidates for public office.

On June 28, 1968, records of the Registrar of Voters, Santa Ana, California, were caused to be reviewed by SA CLAUDE E. WILLIS.

These records reveal that CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM, 1319 Baldwin Avenue, Orange, California, registered as affiliated with a major political party on April 4, 1964. He is described as:

Height	5 foot 9 inches
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	West Virginia
Occupation	Plumber

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The records further reveal that DELSIE MAE GRESHAM, 1319 Baldwin Avenue, Orange, California, registered as affiliated with a major political party on December 31, 1963. She is described as:

Height	5 foot 7 inches
Date of Birth	May 30, 1911
Place of Birth	West Virginia

No registration could be located in the files for JOHN FRANCIS MC CARTHY.

Records, Orange County Sheriff's Office, Santa Ana, California, as reviewed on June 28, 1968, reveal that CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM, OC Number 69628, is described as:

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Sex	Male
Race	White
Nationality	American
Hair	Brown-gray
Eyes	Gray
Height	5' 8"
Weight	180
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	West Virginia
Arrests	Arrested on a charge of drunk on November 14, 1959. No disposition was shown

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The records further reveal that JOHN FRANCIS MC CARTHY
is described as:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel
Height	5' 8 1/2"
Weight	176
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	Pennsylvania
CII Number	2-646-946

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He applied as a Security Guard on September 22, 1964.
He was arrested on May 31, 1965, and on July 31, 1965 charged
with drunk in public, California Penal Code 647 F, and his bail
was forfeited on May 31, 1965 and July 31, 1965, respectively,
in the amount of \$29.00.

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JAY KUDE, J. K. Investigations, 190 North Orange, Orange, California, phone 639-1961, advised that JOHN FRANCIS MC CARTHY had been employed as an investigator by his company for about 45 days.

He stated that after the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, MC CARTHY had related conversations, which MC CARTHY stated he had had with CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM of Orange, California. He recalled that MC CARTHY had said that GRESHAM had made derogatory remarks about Senator KENNEDY and had called him a "bastard" and had stated that if KENNEDY were to be elected, he may be shot. He further stated something to the effect, "I will tell you why --- because of his stand with the Arabs and the Jews, because he wants to ship arms to the Jews."

After hearing the allegation, KUDE stated that on about June 13, 1968, he reported this information to Officer BOB GRAY, who is an aide to Chief THOMAS REDDIN of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). He explained that GRESHAM is a high school friend of his and after he reported it to GRAY, GRAY said that he would turn the information over to the LAPD Task Force handling the assassination investigation. KUDE further stated that later an Officer THOMPSON of the LAPD called him and obtained the information from him.

When KUDE was asked concerning the reliability of MC CARTHY, KUDE stated that he had a high opinion of his reliability. He stated that his work was satisfactory, to a certain extent, but he was not experienced, and he had made some errors of judgment on some occasions. He stated that he had not indicated to MC CARTHY that he would possibly be terminated prior to the time that Senator KENNEDY was assassinated. He stated he could think of no reason why MC CARTHY would make up a story about alleged statements by CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM.

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He stated that as far as GRESHAM is concerned, he does not feel he is reliable, because, in connection with a compensation case, GRESHAM was given a permanent back brace which he was supposed to wear permanently. has movies of GRESHAM cutting his lawn without wearing it.

When advised that GRESHAM had denied the allegations made by MC CARTHY and that GRESHAM is a registered Democrat, who stated he had voted for Senator KENNEDY in the primary elections, which information was corroborated independently by his wife, KUDE stated that GRESHAM could have been a "sleeper" and could have registered as a Democrat for a cover if the assassination was a conspiracy.

KUDE pointed out that both GRESHAM and SIRHAN had had industrial injuries and that apparently SIRHAN SIRHAN had had an injury in connection with horse training for REX ELLSWORTH. He stated that he would like to know if there were any connections between the legal representation on the part of SIRHAN and that of GRESHAM, which might possibly connect them in some way. KUDE pointed out that GRESHAM's attorney is HOWARD GEBLER of the firm Rose, Klein, and Marius, with headquarters in Los Angeles, California.

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Date 7/2/63

CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM was contacted at his residence at 1319 East Baldwin, Orange, California.

GRESHAM was advised that he was being contacted in connection with the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and for any information he might have in this regard.

GRESHAM stated that he felt it was too bad about Mr. KENNEDY and explained that he and his wife, DELSIE GRESHAM, had voted for Mr. KENNEDY in the primary election on June 4, 1963, and they thought very highly of him. He stated they both have been registered Democrats for many years.

When asked if he, GRESHAM, had spoken with anyone regarding Senator KENNEDY, he stated that he had not, except to discuss the matter with his wife. He stated that he and his wife had heard several of his speeches and had liked them very well. He stated that he had made no particular note of KENNEDY's remark that the United States should support Israel and he had not thought that it would make the Arabs irked at him. GRESHAM further stated that he had never considered possible assassination of Senator KENNEDY prior to the actual assassination. He stated that he was home on Tuesday, June 4, 1963, and heard the news of the assassination on television on the morning of the day of the assassination.

GRESHAM stated that on Wednesday, June 5, 1963, he had to go to the State Unemployment Office on Bristol Avenue in Santa Ana in order to pick up his check. He explained that he had had a back injury in connection with his job and has not been able to work for a couple of years.

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GRESHAM stated that no one had ever mentioned possible assassination of KENNEDY to him prior to the assassination itself.

GRESHAM catagorically denied making any anti-KENNEDY statements at any time to anyone and stated that he definitely did not talk to anyone about the possible assassination of Mr. KENNEDY.

GRESHAM stated that he belongs to Local 532 of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union in Santa Ana, and he did not make any political statements there. He stated that he was at a loss to understand how someone could allege that he would make anti-KENNEDY statements when he was actually a supporter of Mr. KENNEDY. He tried to think of people whom he had seen during the month of June, and he indicated he had seen his stepdaughter and her husband, his stepson, his stepson's wife's mother, some real estate man who had visited his home. He had received some phone calls in connection with his house, which is for sale; but he did not discuss politics with any of these people.

He stated that he does recall that a young man, whose name is unknown to him, came to his house about three weeks ago and asked him about the house, which was for sale, and also inquired of him if he could help the man with some work in Pomona, California. He talked to this man about an hour and then about a week later the man came and wanted to know if he had changed his mind about working, and he was there about only 15 minutes. No mention of politics or the assassination was made at the times of their conversations. They primarily talked about the house and about their respective careers in the U. S. Army. He stated he could not remember the man's name and did not think he had written it down. He stated he had not heard from the man since that time.

GRESHAM described the man as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White

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Age	About 22 - 23 years
Height	About 5'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	About 180 pounds
Hair	Brown
Marital Status	Married
Children	One
Occupation	Self-employed as a cleanup man

GRESHAM stated he had resided at that residence since 1963, and between 1960 and 1963 he had resided on Patavia Street in Orange. He came to California in 1964 from Charleston, West Virginia, where he had lived since childhood. He stated he was a widower whose wife had died 34 years ago, and he had re-married several years ago. GRESHAM is described as follows:

Name	CLIFFORD DANIEL GRESHAM
Sex	Male
Race	White
Birth Data	
	West Virginia
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Grey
Height	5'8"
Weight	180 pounds
Build	Medium
Discharge	Honorably discharged from U. S. Army, 1942-1945
Social Security Number	
Father	WHEELER JOHN GRESHAM Charleston, West Virginia
Mother	BESSIE JANE LYNCH GRESHAM West Virginia
Political Affiliation	Democrat all his life

GRESHAM stated that he is willing to take a lie detector test concerning the allegation that he had made statements against Senator KENNEDY and about the possible assassination, before and after the actual assassination.

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Date 7/2/68

Mrs. DELSIE GRESHAM, also known as Mrs. Clifford Daniel Gresham, was contacted at her employment at Mary's Draperies at 1210 North Batavia, Orange, California.

She was advised that interviewing agent had just interviewed her husband at their residence, and she was asked if her husband had ever mentioned the possible assassination of Senator KENNEDY prior to the assassination.

Mrs. GRESHAM replied that he had not and that it had not entered either her mind or his to the best of her knowledge.

When asked if her husband had discussed the political campaign with anyone, she stated that she and her husband have made it a policy not to discuss politics or religion.

Mrs. GRESHAM was advised that an allegation had been made in which her husband had made statements concerning the possible assassination of Senator KENNEDY prior to the assassination. She stated that the allegation must be false, but she has no idea of anyone who would be an enemy of her husband to make such allegations.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING STATEMENT
ALLEGEDLY MADE BY A WAITRESS NAMED
"LISA" IN SHERMAN HOUSE COFFEE SHOP,
CHICAGO, ON JUNE 1, 1968, THAT SHE
HAD JUST HEARD SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY
HAD BEEN SHOT IN THE HEAD

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On the evening of June 5, 1968, LARRY SHERMAN of the Puritan Finance Corporation, Chicago, Illinois, telephonically advised the Chicago Office of the FBI that on Saturday, June 1, 1968, he was having coffee with a friend in the Sherman House Coffee Shop, located at Madison and Randolph Streets in Chicago. SHERMAN advised that a waitress, whom he knows only as "LISA", came to the table and stated she had just heard that Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY had just been shot in the head. Shortly thereafter, she returned to the table and stated she had been misinformed in this regard.

The following investigation was conducted in this matter.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 14, 1968

Mr. LARRY SHERMAN, Puritan Finance Corporation, 188 West Randolph Street, was re-interviewed concerning the information he previously furnished about a waitress at the Sherman House Coffee Shop informing him on Saturday, June 1, 1968, that she had just heard that "ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in the head."

Mr. SHERMAN stated he and a group of four other men were having lunch at the Sherman House Coffee Shop (Clark and Randolph) between 1:00 and 2:00 P.M., June 1, 1968. While having lunch one of his waitresses, a LISA, or similar sounding name, informed his group that she had just heard that ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in the head. Mr. SHERMAN stated he and his group were "stunned" by the news and while the group was discussing the information, the waitress returned and said she was mistaken about KENNEDY being shot in the head but made no attempt to clarify her mistake or elaborate further.

Mr. SHERMAN described the waitress as being white female in her 50's, about 5'6", weighing 140 - 145 pounds, dark hair, wore glasses and spoke with a slight accent, possibly German. He stated his group sat in the South East corner of the Coffee Shop.

Mr. SHERMAN stated since Senator KENNEDY was shot in the head on June 5, 1968, he thought he should furnish the above information to the FBI.

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On 6/6/68 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 89-61

by SAs RAY I. SHRYOCK and CHARLES E. BRUNNER/man Date dictated 6/12/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 18, 1968

On June 6, 1968, EVA JASPERSON, Manager, Sherman House Coffee Shop, Randolph and Clark Street, advised that she remembered the incident or "rumor" about ROBERT KENNEDY being shot in the head. She stated it happened Saturday afternoon, June 1, 1968, and stated she did not know who started the rumor, but she did know it was a statement made in error by one of the waitresses "overhearing" a conversation between a customer and another waitress. This concerned KENNEDY receiving a blow on the head which was misconstrued as being shot in the head and subsequently passed on in error to other customers.

Miss JASPERSON stated the waitresses on duty Saturday afternoon June 1, 1968, who worked the South east section of the coffee shop were ROSE TURCK, LEE DENNIS and BEATRICE PIEPKORN.

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Date June 18, 1968

LEE DENNIS, waitress, Sherman House Coffee Shop, Randolph and Clark Streets, advised she remembered the incident of Saturday afternoon, June 1, 1968, concerning KENNEDY being shot. She heard BEATRICE PIEPKORN, another waitress in the coffee shop, talking to ROSE TURCK, waitress, about KENNEDY being hit in the head. She stated ROSE misinterpreted the information and passed it on to a group of customers that KENNEDY had been shot in the head. After ROSE learned that the information was not true either ROSE or BEA informed the customers that the information about KENNEDY was not true.

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BEATRICE PIEPKORN, waitress, Sherman House Coffee Shop, stated the whole terrible mistake was started in error by one of the waitresses repeating information furnished to her by PIEPKORN when the other waitress misunderstood.

PIEPKORN advised that she was talking to one of her customers who informed her that there was an article in the Saturday Chicago newspaper about KENNEDY being at the beach in California and someone (thought to be one of his children) was caught in an undertow and Senator KENNEDY in an attempt to save this person was hit on the head by a rock or surfboard. She stated she and the customer were discussing the newspaper article and she passed it on to one of the other waitresses claiming she (PIEPKORN) said "Did you hear about Senator KENNEDY being hit in the head?", which, of course, was totally wrong.

She stated she had no intention of starting any such rumor. She was merely repeating information which appeared in the newspaper and through a misinterpretation of her original information it was conveyed to a few customers that ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot in the head.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ANONYMOUS
CALL RECEIVED BY CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
POLICE DEPARTMENT THAT AN ARAB
NAMED "ABDO" WAS INVOLVED IN THE
SHOOTING OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

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Sergeant FRED ANDERSON, I. I. D., Chicago, Illinois, Police Department, advised the Chicago Office of the FBI on June 5, 1968, that an anonymous call had just been received at the police department. The anonymous caller stated that an Arab named "ABDO" was involved in the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. "ABDO" was reported to live at 5313 South 73rd Street, Summit, Illinois. The caller further indicated that "something surprising" would be found in the garage at this address.

The following investigation was conducted in this matter.

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Date 6/14/68

GLORIA ABDO, 5313 South 73rd Street, Summit, Illinois, advised that she is the wife of RICHARD ABDO. She stated that she and her husband have been residing at that address for approximately three years. She described her husband as follows: White male, born [redacted], at Chicago, Illinois; height, 6'; weight, 220 pounds; brown eyes; brown hair; Selective Service Number 11-060-29-0098, discharged Corporal, 1954, ER 55264279; place of employment, Basic Brothers Construction Company, 61st and Cicero.

She stated that he is of Lebanese extraction, but that he lived his entire life in Chicago.

She stated that she is absolutely positive that her husband had nothing to do with the KENNEDY killing, and that she would be glad to allow agents to search her garage.

She then executed a form setting forth her rights and waiving them to be giving permission to have the garage at the rear of 5313 South 73rd Street in Summit, Illinois, searched.

The search of said garage by SAs GACCIONE and WACKS revealed nothing of an incriminating nature.

Mrs. ABDO stated possibly her landlord, who she has had difficulties with, had made the telephone call suggesting that something incriminating was in her garage. She had no other idea as to why someone would attempt to involve her husband with the KENNEDY killing.

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Date 6/17/68

CHARLES B. MILLER, Assistant Vice-President, Union Federal Savings and Loan Association, 3430 South Halsted, Chicago, Illinois, advised that he is the owner of the building at 5313 South 73rd Street in Summit, Illinois. MILLER advised that the ABDO family were not model tenants, but neither did he think that RICHARD ABDO would have had anything to do with the KENNEDY killing.

He stated that he had not made a telephone call to the Chicago Police Department suggesting a tie-up between Mr. ABDO and the KENNEDY killing.

He stated that various tenants have lived downstairs from the ABDO family and RICHARD ABDO has had some difficulties with them. He therefore suggested that possibly one of the tenants had made the telephone call. He did not recall the names and addresses of tenants, but said if necessary he could make them available to the FBI Office.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING RUMOR
REPORTED BY KASS LITZENBERG ON
JUNE 2, 1968, PREDICTING SOME
POLITICAL FIGURE WAS GOING TO BE KILLED

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/3/681

GARY MICHAEL PARIZEK, 1299 California Street, who is the Assistant Manager of the Supply Section of the bookstore, San Francisco State College, San Francisco, California, furnished the following information:

KASS LITZENBERG, 1537 Lardner Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a female acquaintance, talked with PARIZEK by telephone on Sunday, June 2, 1968, about 2:00 p.m. During the course of conversation, she mentioned she had either heard a rumor or something on the radio, he does not recall which, predicting that some political figure was going to be killed. No mention was made as to who was going to be killed or when the killing would take place. What she said was rather vague, and PARIZEK did not pay any particular attention to it at the time.

Two days later, when Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated, PARIZEK recalled the above-referred-to remarks of LITZENBERG, and wondered if what she had heard had any connection with the assassination of Senator KENNEDY.

In attelphone conversation with LITZENBERG subsequent to the KENNEDY assassination, she referred to their previous conversation in which she had mentioned the prediction she heard to the effect a political figure was going to be killed, and said she guessed that whatever the rumor had been, it must have been correct.

On 8/30/68 at San Francisco, California File # SF 62-5481
by SA IRVING J. PROUT and
SA ROBERT B. HERRINGTON/rlg Date dictated 8/30/68

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Date 9/3/681

Miss BARBARA HOFPAUER, 576 Valencia Street, Apartment 304, employed as a clerk at the bookstore, San Francisco State College, 1600 Holloway, advised that on the afternoon of June 4, 1968, one of her co-workers, GARY MICHAEL PARIZEK, also known as Mike Parizek, came to her and asked if she had heard about a rumor going around the bookstore. He explained that on the evening of June 3, 1968, he had received a telephone call from a girl in Pennsylvania, who said there was going to be a killing on June 6, 1968. PARIZEK did not give the name of this girl. No mention was made of Los Angeles, California, or the name KENNEDY, although she, HOFPAUER, immediately thought of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in view of the earlier assassination of President KENNEDY. According to HOFPAUER, PARIZEK is a nervous person and following the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, PARIZEK was so upset and sick he had to take three days off from work. PARIZEK is employed as the Assistant Supply Manager at the bookstore, although he is currently on vacation. He lives at 1299 California Street, San Francisco.

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Date 9/11/68

Miss KASS LITZENBERG, 1537 Lardner Street, phone # CU 9-4232, advised that she did not recall making a statement concerning a rumor or prediction that ROBERT F. KENNEDY or some political figure would be killed. She stated that she does recall many people discussing the predictions made by a JEAN DICKSON (or similar name), of Washington, D.C., and she may have referred to the predictions of DICKSON or to the fact she heard a discussion of this. She said she cannot recall the exact prediction made by DICKSON.

Miss LITZENBERG stated she has no information concerning the assassination of Senator KENNEDY. She stated she does not know JEAN DICKSON, anyone connected with the KENNEDY family, or anyone connected with the alleged assassin of Senator KENNEDY.

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by SA DARWIN B. BARE/clp Date dictated 9/11/68

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ABBAS
JIBRIL, WHO INDICATED APPROXIMATELY ONE
YEAR AGO HE WAS A MEMBER OF A SECRET
ORGANIZATION WHOSE PURPOSE WAS
ASSASSINATION OR "DOING AWAY WITH"
POLITICAL FIGURES

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On June 5, 1968, WILLIAM SHAW, Director of Security, Argonne Laboratories, Lemont, Illinois, advised the FBI Office in Chicago, Illinois, that approximately one year ago, information was received by his office from ART LINDENBAUM and Doctor (FNU) FEINSTEIN, both employed at Argonne Laboratories, Biological and Medical Research Unit. This information concerned an individual named ABBAS JIBIL, also employed at Argonne Laboratories, Biological and Medical Research Unit. SHAW advised that JIBIL worked with LINDENBAUM and Doctor FEINSTEIN approximately one year ago, was a Jordanian, and also indicated that he was a member of a secret organization whose purpose was assassination or "doing away with" political figures.

SHAW further advised he was told by LINDENBAUM that JIBIL was working for an unknown physician under a grant, during the fall of 1967, at Northwestern University.

The following investigation was conducted in this matter.

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Date June 14, 1968

ARTHUR LINDENBAUM, Scientist, Biology - Medical, Building 202, Room 277, provided the following information:

ABBAS OTHMAN JIBRIL began working in post-doctoral work at Argonne in approximately July of 1964. At this time JIBRIL was assigned to him for supervision purposes. As the time passed, JIBRIL and LINDENBAUM began discussion of various social nature during which discussions JIBRIL made brief statements along the lines of being anti-Jewish. As time passed, these statements grew stronger and were made in front of other employees, many of which had Jewish backgrounds. LINDENBAUM advised these feelings of JIBRIL stemmed from childhood and the teachings in his native country. Several of the other Jewish workers in the laboratory began to complain to LINDENBAUM about JIBRIL's statements.

LINDENBAUM stated one day he was able to get JIBRIL into a lengthy discussion concerning his feelings at which time JIBRIL "broke down" emotionally and began making various statements, including one dealing with "keeping track of the Jews" and mentioning plans to "take care of the Jews." JIBRIL also spoke of an organization which is "taking care" of the above-mentioned items. He did not state the name or location of this organization. At no time did he mention anything about political leaders or attempted assassination of any individuals.

LINDENBAUM advised he then spoke with Dr. ROBERT FEINSTEIN, Argonne Laboratory, concerning these statements at which time FEINSTEIN felt the matter should be discussed with the Argonne Security Department. This was the only contact FEINSTEIN had with this situation as he only knew JIBRIL from having seen him in the building.

LINDENBAUM advised after discussing this matter with the Security Department he learned JIBRIL had approached two other individuals.

One of the individuals approached was a Negro who is employed in the building. According to the unrecalled source of this information, JIBRIL was talking to this Negro

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about being a member of a minority race and perhaps he, the Negro, should join forces with JIBRIL, a Jordanian, yet no specific objective was stated.

The other individual approached was Dr. KLAUS KUETTNER, currently employed at St. Luke Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago. According to information received from KUETTNER, JIBRIL approached him and discussed the fact that the Germans, of which ancestry KUETTNER is a part, had a "hatred" for Jewish people and they, Dr. KUETTNER and JIBRIL, should join forces, again no specific purpose named.

LINDENBAUM pointed out it is his opinion JIBRIL, as a member of the Jordanian people, even though born in Palestine, which is now Israel, has such a deep emotional seating of his hatred of Jewish individuals, he is not able to adjust to life in the United States. LINDENBAUM advised he felt this was in all probability taught to JIBRIL as a youngster and this is the only line of thinking he knows.

LINDENBAUM again advised JIBRIL did not make any statements about political leaders, or figures, nor did he ever make any statements concerning any assassinations. He did note, however, JIBRIL did talk once about being involved in the murder or murders of British soldiers who were in Jordan when he, JIBRIL, was about fifteen or sixteen years of age.

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ABBAS OTHMAN JIBRIL, a resident of 87th and Orchard Streets, Lemont, Illinois, was interviewed at West Suburban Hospital, 530 North Austin Boulevard, Oak Park, Illinois, where he is currently employed in the Department of Pathology, on leave from the Northwestern University Medical School, 303 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

JIBRIL is now age 38, and he stated that he was born in Palestine on [redacted]. He came to the United States in 1952, and attended Loyola University in Chicago. In 1956, he went to Canada so that he could return to the United States with a visa in order to enable himself to become an American citizen. He related that he returned to the United States with the visa in 1956 and ultimately obtained a PHD from Oklahoma University in 1964. He obtained his American citizenship in 1964 at Oklahoma City. He related that he is currently a consultant in pathology at West Suburban Hospital. He related that he was married in Chicago in 1961 to the former CAROLINE B. HOFFMAN, who was born in Marshfield, Wisconsin, and they have four children as follows: MONA, age 6, DEANAH, age 4, SARAH, age 2, and OTHMAN, age 1. He stated he has one brother in the United States, ABDEL KIRIM JIBRIL, age 28, who was also born in Palestine, and who is also employed at West Suburban Hospital, Oak Park, Illinois.

He stated that his father, OTHMAN JIBRIL, age 67, is residing in Israel-occupied Palestine and he has another brother, OMAR JIBRIL, who is employed by the Ministry of Finance, Amman, Jordan. In addition, he has two brothers in Israel-occupied Palestine and also a sister in that location. He also has a sister living in Kuwait and another sister residing in Amman, Jordan.

He stated that approximately one year ago, he was employed at the Argonne Laboratory, Lemont, Illinois,

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and one of his superiors there at the time was ARTHUR LINDENBAUM. He said that LINDENBAUM was of Jewish extraction and was aware of the fact that he, JIBRIL, was of Arab extraction. He said that LINDENBAUM was further aware of the fact that he, JIBRIL, had been born and lived at least part of his life in Israel-occupied Palestine. He related that LINDENBAUM constantly "needled" him regarding Arab - Israeli relations, particularly in regard to the formation of the State of Israel in 1948 from former Arab territory. JIBRIL noted that he has a "low boiling point" over the Arab - Israeli political situation and LINDENBAUM, in his opinion, was obviously aware of this. He at first denied ever having made the statement to LINDENBAUM or anyone else that he was a member of a secret organization whose purpose was to assassinate political leaders and others in power in this country. Upon reflection, however, he stated that in the heat of argument with LINDENBAUM he may have in fact made such statement, however, if he did, it was merely an emotional outburst on his part, and had no basis in fact. He added that as far as he knows there is absolutely no Arab terrorist group operating in the United States, however, he does know that such groups do operate in Israel and in other areas of Palestine now occupied by the State of Israel.

He further commented that he does not personally know and never heard of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, the alleged assassinator of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

He stated that he considers himself a loyal American citizen and in this regard commented, "I love this country". He also related that he is Vice President of the Arab - American Congress for Palestine, which has no official address other than a post office box in Chicago, Illinois, the identity of which he does not know. He said the purpose of the Arab - American Congress for Palestine is to aid Arab refugees who have

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been forcibly removed from their homes by the formation of the State of Israel in 1948, as well as the former Arab lands which have been conquered by the State of Israel. According to JIBRIL, this aid consists of food and other necessities of life, such as clothing and medicine, but does not include firearms or other things of this nature.